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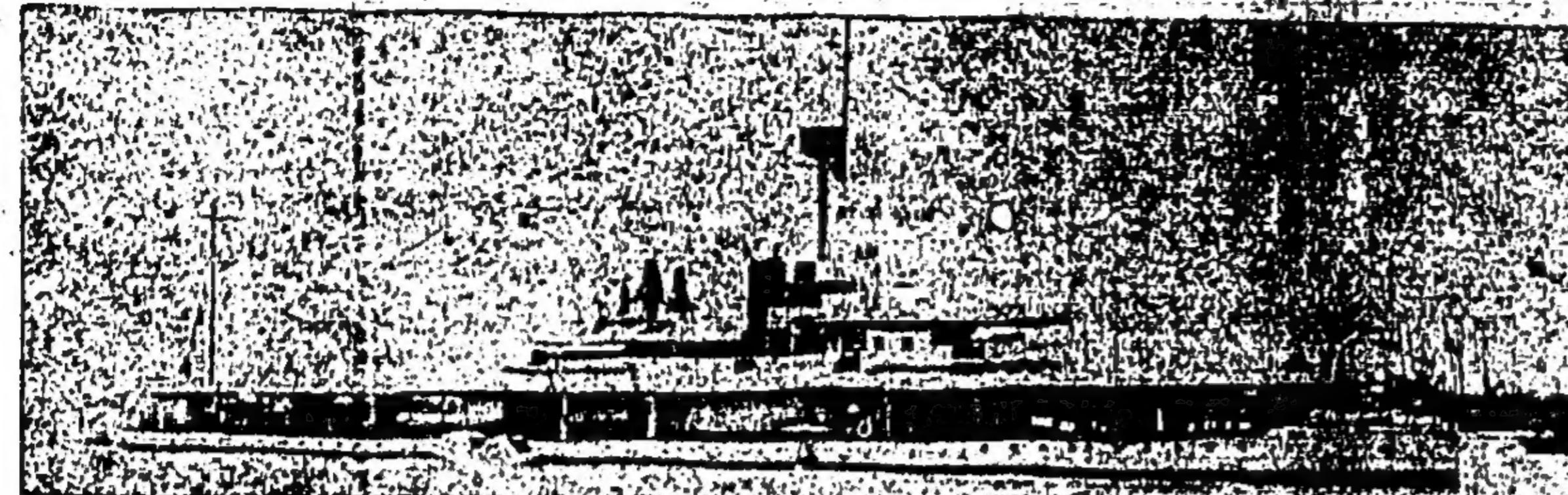
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BLUEJACKETS TO RESCUE OF JARDINE SHIP

Attempted "Official Piracy" by Yangtsze Launch



H.M.S. Cricket which successfully intervened in the Luenho Incident.

BURNING
SHIP STILL
AFLOAT

DRIFTING TO EAST IN
CHANNEL

HULL ESCAPES
DAMAGE

London, Jan. 5.
The still burning hull of the French liner, L'Atlantique, carried by the wind and current drifted slowly along the English Channel to-day.

She appeared through the mist a few miles off Portland Bill this morning and crowds watched her slow progress as, wreathed in steam and smoke, and surrounded by tugs and other vessels, she proceeded to drift eastward.

This afternoon, tugs succeeded in taking her in tow, but it is not yet certain whether she will be put ashore, whether she will sink herself, or whether a French warship which is standing by will send her to the bottom.

MAY BE SUNK.

It is understood that the last mentioned course will be adopted if the doomed liner threatens to become a danger to shipping.

This evening, the Atlantique was some fifteen miles south of the Needles and was still moving eastward with the turning tide, while the fire seemed almost to have burnt itself out.

Airmen who have flown over her say her hull and funnels are intact but the foremost has broken and dropped overboard while the rest of her is mainly a tangle of burnt or burning debris.

INSURANCE CLAIM.

Her owners state that 21 men, members of the crew, are missing although it is still hoped that some of them have been picked up by the vessels of different nationalities which came to the liner's aid.

It is stated that the sum involved so far as the English insurance market concerned is about £1,200,000 but although the loss is one of the largest in recent years, the underwriters are facing it quite calmly, the risk having been so widely spread as not seriously to discommodate any firms.—British Wireless.

STOP PRESS

Nanking, Jan. 6.

All public bodies here are holding a mass meeting this afternoon to discuss what measures those bodies should take in connection with the fall of Shantung.—Reuter.

Peking, Jan. 6.

Chinese reports from the Shantung area state that the Suzuki Brigade has now arrived at Shantung and ammunition is still being rushed up by the Japanese.

Some quarters fear an extension of the operations later, for, as the Japanese Legation has not yet received instructions from Tokyo to negotiate for a settlement, many Chinese are inclined to believe that Tokyo's declared desire to treat the matter as a local incident is merely "a smoke screen."

It is pointed out that it is two days since Tokyo said the Japanese authorities had been instructed to negotiate.

It is learned that yesterday afternoon and evening, there was an exchange of rifle shots across the Tashih River, apart from which the position remains unchanged.—Reuter.

LUENHO PURSUED DOWN RIVER

H.M.S. CRICKET STOPS ATTEMPT

NAVAL GUARD ACTS

(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH")

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SHANGHAI, JAN. 6.
BLUEJACKETS FROM H.M.S. CRICKET, PLACED ABOARD THE JARDINE S.S. LUENHO WHEN SHE CAME STEAMING INTO CHINKIANG AT FULL SPEED AND ASKED URGENTLY FOR NAVAL ASSISTANCE, WERE ALMOST IMMEDIATELY CALLED UPON TO PREVENT THE LUENHO FROM BEING BOARDED BY ARMED MEN FROM A LAUNCH WHICH HAD PURSUED THE STEAMER ALL THE WAY FROM NANKING.

The whole affair had a rather sinister aspect and is regarded seriously in British official quarters, following as it does closely upon a series of acts of "official piracy" on the Yangtsze during the last few months.

But for the intervention of H.M.S. Cricket, it is probable that the Luenho would have passed through the experience which befel another Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's vessel, the Tuckwo, when members of her crew were violently used.

PASSENGERS AS CONFEDERATES

The full story of the remarkable series of incidents is graphically told in this morning's *Shanghai Times*, which gives a vivid account by an eye-witness, obtained from one of the European lady passengers aboard the a.s.s. Luenho.

FLYING BRITISH FLAG.

The Luenho was, of course, flying the British flag. She was on her way down river to Shanghai and nothing out of the normal run occurred until she had proceeded from Nanking.

One hour out of the capital, the Luenho was called upon to stop "for search."

A steam launch, powerfully engined apparently, came darting out from the side of the river where she had been lying in wait, intercepting the Luenho and called upon her skipper to heave-to to permit the occupants to come aboard.

FULL SPEED AHEAD.

All the men aboard the launch could be seen from the bridge were heavily armed and the master of the Luenho, with memories of the experiences of other ships placed in a similar predicament, disobeyed the order to stop and instead issued orders to the engine-room to get all possible speed up for a fast run to Chinkiang.

PAST EXPERIENCES.

The incident recalls the similar but more disastrous experiences suffered by the Tuckwo and the Wulu, which were "searched" last year by a launch and extreme violence used by the "searchers."—Reuter.

BLUEJACKETS ON ABOARD.

Arriving in Chinkiang some minutes before the pursuing craft,

GERMAN PRINCE IN SKI CRASH

BREAKS LEG IN RACE AT ST. MORITZ

(Our Own Correspondent).

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London, Jan. 6.
Prince Frederick of Prussia, a grandson of the ex-Kaiser, was seriously injured in a ski accident at St. Moritz to-day. Prince Frederick crashed in a downhill ski race and broke his leg above the knee.

LAND SPEED RECORD

SIR M. CAMPBELL OFF AGAIN

RECONSTRUCTED BLUE BIRD

London, Jan. 6.

Sir Malcolm Campbell's record breaking car, "Blue Bird," reconstructed and equipped with Rolls-Royce Schneider Trophy engines, will be shipped to Daytona in a few days.

Sir Malcolm Campbell will follow in week or so and will attempt to beat his own world's land-speed record of 264 m.p.h. "Blue Bird" is considered capable of well over 280 m.p.h.

The record-breaker himself is of



Sir Malcolm Campbell's re-built "Blue Bird" which is now equipped with a 2,500 h.p. Rolls-Royce engine.

opinion that with all conditions favourable, it should be possible for the car to achieve a speed of 300 miles an hour.

The reconstruction has been thorough and has it is thought, added speed to its potentiality apart altogether from the more powerful engine which has been placed in "Blue Bird."

The engine is an improved Schneider Trophy engine with a horse-power of 2,500.

United States messages stated that the intention to make a world record attempt with an American car has been abandoned.—British Wireless.

RAIN PROBABLE.

The anticyclone over North China has increased in intensity. A depression is moving eastward to the south of Japan. Fresh to strong monsoon will prevail over the China Sea. Local forecast:—North and N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy, probably some rain.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. COOLIDGE

THIRTIETH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRAGIC HOME-COMING OF MRS. COOLIDGE

New York, Jan. 5.
Mr. Calvin Coolidge, President Hoover's predecessor in office, was found dead at his home at Northampton, Massachusetts, to-day, the suddenness of his demise causing a profound shock throughout the United States.

Not even his wife was aware that the ex-President was in any danger. Death is believed to have been due to heart disease. Mr. Coolidge had complained of severe bouts of indigestion in the past few weeks, but had not consulted a doctor.

The discovery was made by his wife, who returned from her shopping and went into his room on learning that, having gone to his office as usual, he had returned home complaining of feeling unwell. He had apparently died only fifteen minutes before. He was sixty years of age.

NOTABLE CAREER IN RETROSPECT

The funeral will take place at Northampton on Saturday morning. They body will then be conveyed to Plymouth, Vermont, where he will be buried in the afternoon.

HARD TOIL.

Mr. Calvin Coolidge was born at Plymouth, Vermont, on July 4, 1876, as the son of a farmer who kept the village store. He was familiar from boyhood with hard toil and poverty. After graduating at Amherst in 1896 he won a scholarship, studied law and began in 1897 to practise at Northampton, Mass., where he became president of a bank and mayor.

He married a school teacher, Grace Goodhue, and worked incessantly, allowing himself no time for recreation. In 1907, he was elected to the State Legislature. From 1912 to 1916 he was a member of the Massachusetts Senate and from 1914 to 1916 its President. Lieut. Governor of the State from 1916 to 1918, he was Governor from 1919 to 1921.

POLICY OF SILENCE.

During all his election campaigns—even that for the Presidency—he pursued a policy of silence. His name became known all over the U. S. thanks to the manner in which he suppressed the Boston police strike in the autumn of 1919.

In the same year when the telephone operators struck, he proposed that the State should take over the lines, but this was not necessary, as the strike was soon over.

He was not, however, opposed to Labour, as was shown by his support of a bill limiting the scope

(Continued on Page 7.)



One of the last pictures taken of ex-President Coolidge. Fishing was almost his sole recreation.

TING CHAO EVADES BIG DRIVE

VOLUNTEER ARMY INTACT

Harbin, Jan. 6.

The big Japanese drive along the eastern section of the Chinese Eastern Railway has failed of its principal object.

The line has been freed from the anti-Manchukuo Volunteers, but the insurgent forces remain intact and still have to reckon with.

Information from all independent sources shows that no heavy fighting has taken place. The anti-Manchukuo forces extricated themselves skilfully from positions assailed by the Japanese and successfully evaded the knock-out blow which the Japanese hoped to deliver.

JAPANESE CONFIRMATION.

This is confirmed by reports from Japanese sources stating that General Ting Chao, without fighting, has reached Pao Tsing, some ninety miles north of his old base at Misian, with his forces and artillery intact.

Other anti-Manchukuo forces, it is learned from Japanese military headquarters, are retreating towards Tungling, to the southeast of Paganlitchnaya.

All damage to the C.E.R. track on the section from Hallin to Muiling has now been repaired and communications between Harbin and Muiling are being restored to-day.—Reuter.

ROLLS ROYCE ENGINES

ORDERED FOR DUTCH PLANES

London, Jan. 5.
The Netherlands Government has ordered from the Rolls Royce Company considerable numbers of their well-known 500/600 H.P. Kestrel engines for fitting into Dutch aeroplanes.

These engines have been supplied to Belgium, Yugoslavia, Estonia, Russia, Japan and other countries.—British Wireless.

GRAND NATIONAL OUTLOOK

BIG INTERNATIONAL EVENT

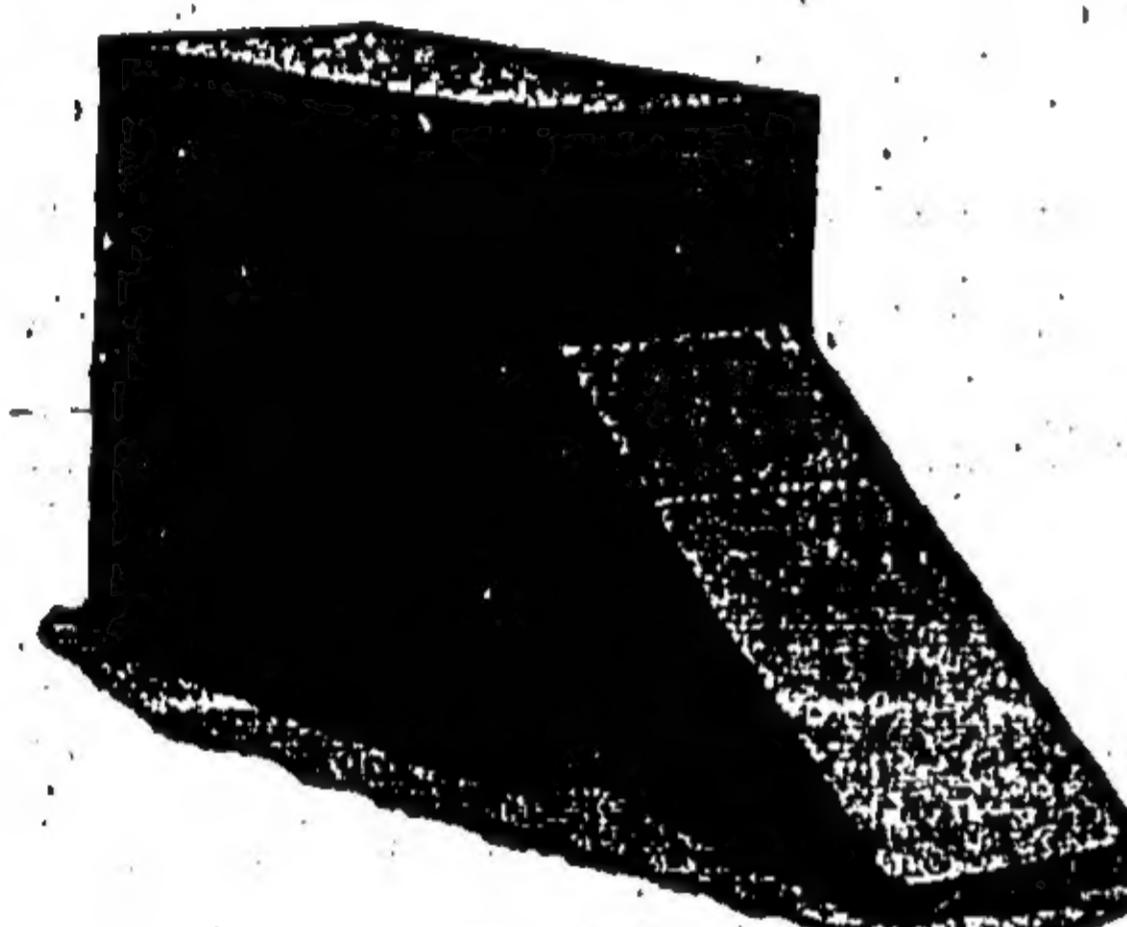
London, Jan. 5.
The Grand National Steeplechase, to be run at Aintree on March 24th, promises this year to be more of an international event than usual.

The entries, which number 66, include not only the best English steeplechasers, but representatives also of German, French, American and Irish steeplechase.—British Wireless.

GORDON'S SALE COMMENCES TO-MORROW SATURDAY.

(See Page 7 for the Good News.)

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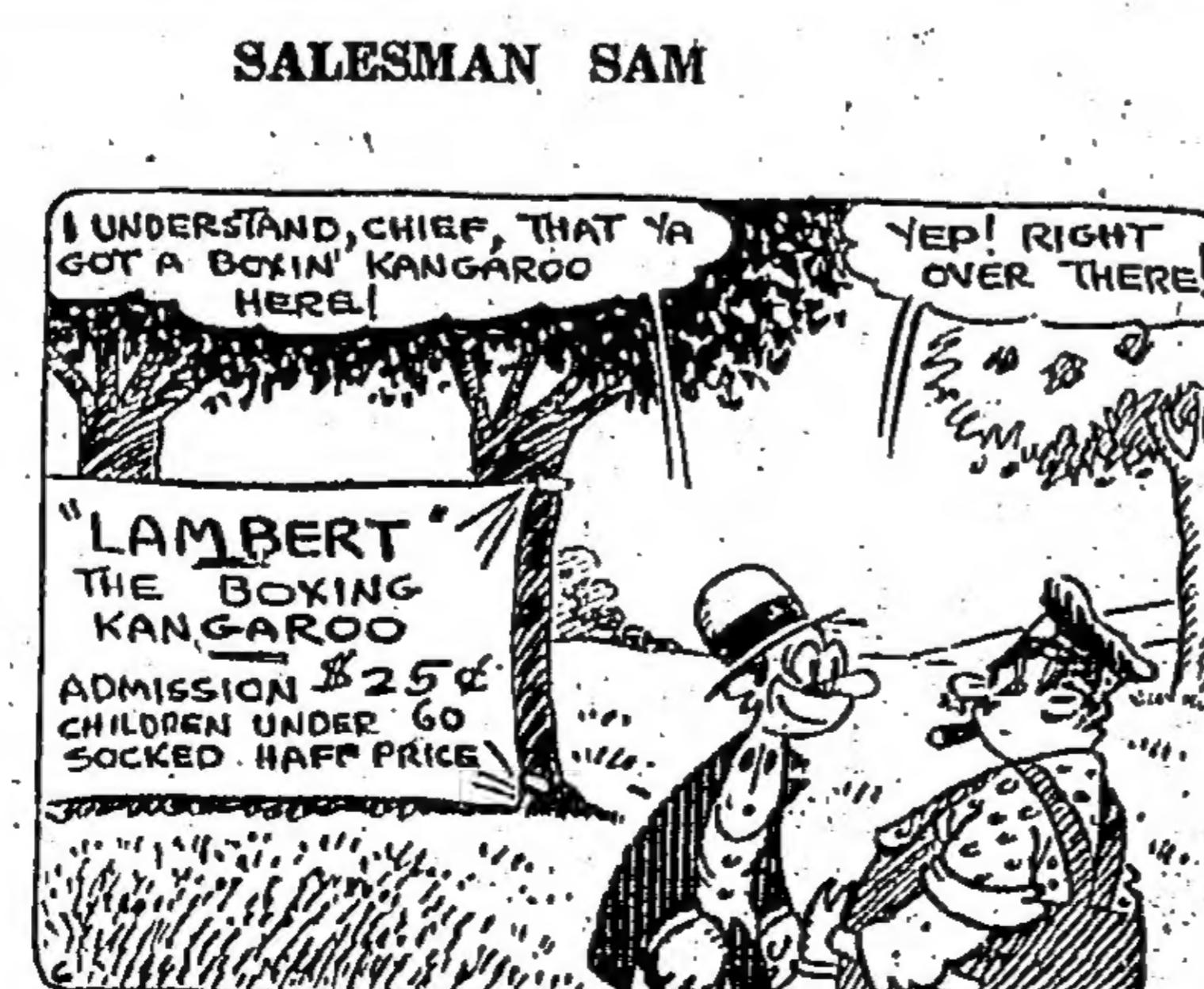
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THE WORLD OF WOMEN



By Joan Savoy

Supper dresses are the darlings of the season's crop of clothes. You can wear them anywhere where your hostess says, "Don't dress" but doesn't mean it!

They have a charming dignity yet informality about them that makes it a pleasure to don them.

There are three noticeable fashion facts they all have in common, no matter what colour you pick, what fabric or what touches of trim.

They are all long, to ankle or floor. They all have some kind of attractive sleeves, more often short than long. They all have the high neckline in front, even when they drop away to a deep V in the back.

You can indulge your preference for red, if you want to. Or you can have one of the new black dresses or a black and white combination or black with a metal cloth top. Of course, there are greens and blues and all kinds of other colour combinations. I merely mention the ones that have the largest number of buyers.

If you do want red, a lovely ruby coloured velvet dress (right) is cut on princess lines, with puff sleeves trimmed with just that glitter glamorous things ask, a band of twinkling rhinestones. It has a low-cut square back and a high-cut square front to its neckline. The little belt of the material fastens in the back in a flat bow.

If you prefer a black-white combination, black velvet joins a novelty white lace (left) to make a smart frock. The lace is a very large pattern, all outlined in silver so that it gives the effect of a rich brocade, from a distance. This has simple wide sleeves, and a demure round neck, fastening in the back with a green button, like the two on the peau d'orange belt.

PIXIE CAKES

Sift together 2 ozs. flour, 2 ozs. fine wholemeal, $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoonful baking powder, and a pinch of salt. Cream together 4 ozs. butter and 4 ozs. caster sugar, beat in 1 egg and half the dry ingredients, then a second egg and the other half of the dry ingredients. Add $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoonful vanilla essence, beat all very thoroughly, and, if too stiff, add a very little milk. Put into small paper cases, decorate each cake with a piece of cherry, and bake in a good oven for $\frac{1}{4}$ hour.

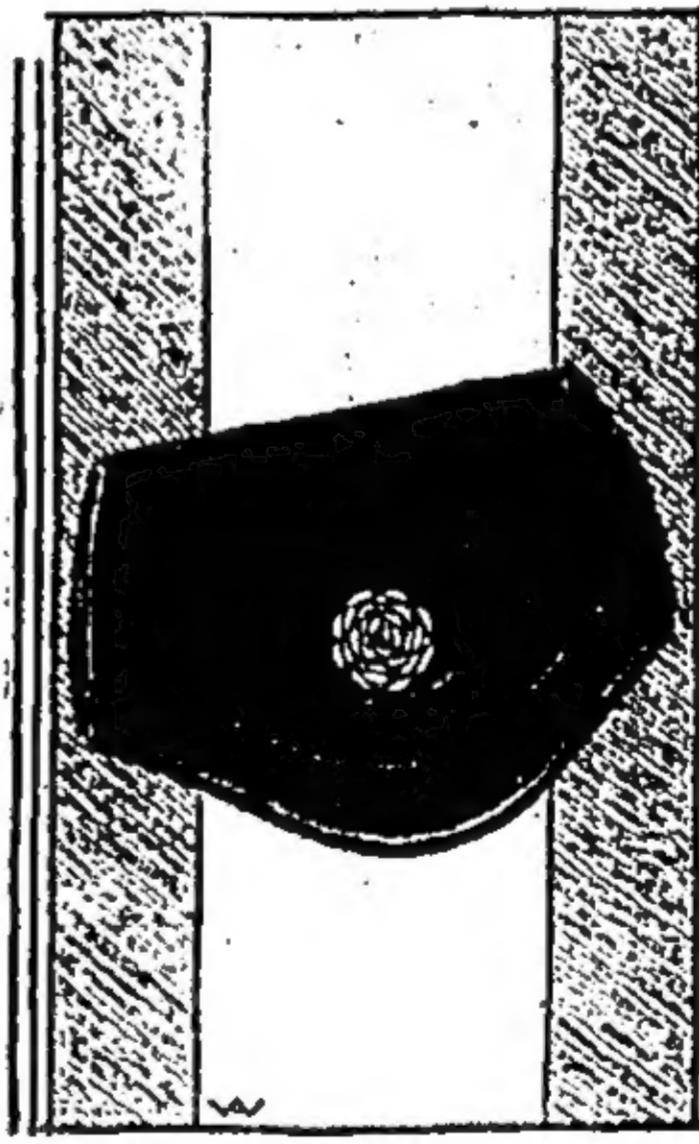
TO FIT AN EXPANDED CORK

From France, where recorking of wine bottles has to be done so often, comes the following tip for dealing with a cork which has expanded so much that it refuses to return to the bottle.

Simply cut a wedge out of the centre of the cork to about half, or rather more, of its length, the wide end of the wedge at the bottom of the cork.

The cork is then pressed between finger and thumb, and introduced into the neck of the bottle without further trouble.

This is Patou's new brown velvet evening bag with the rose petal clasp of crystal.



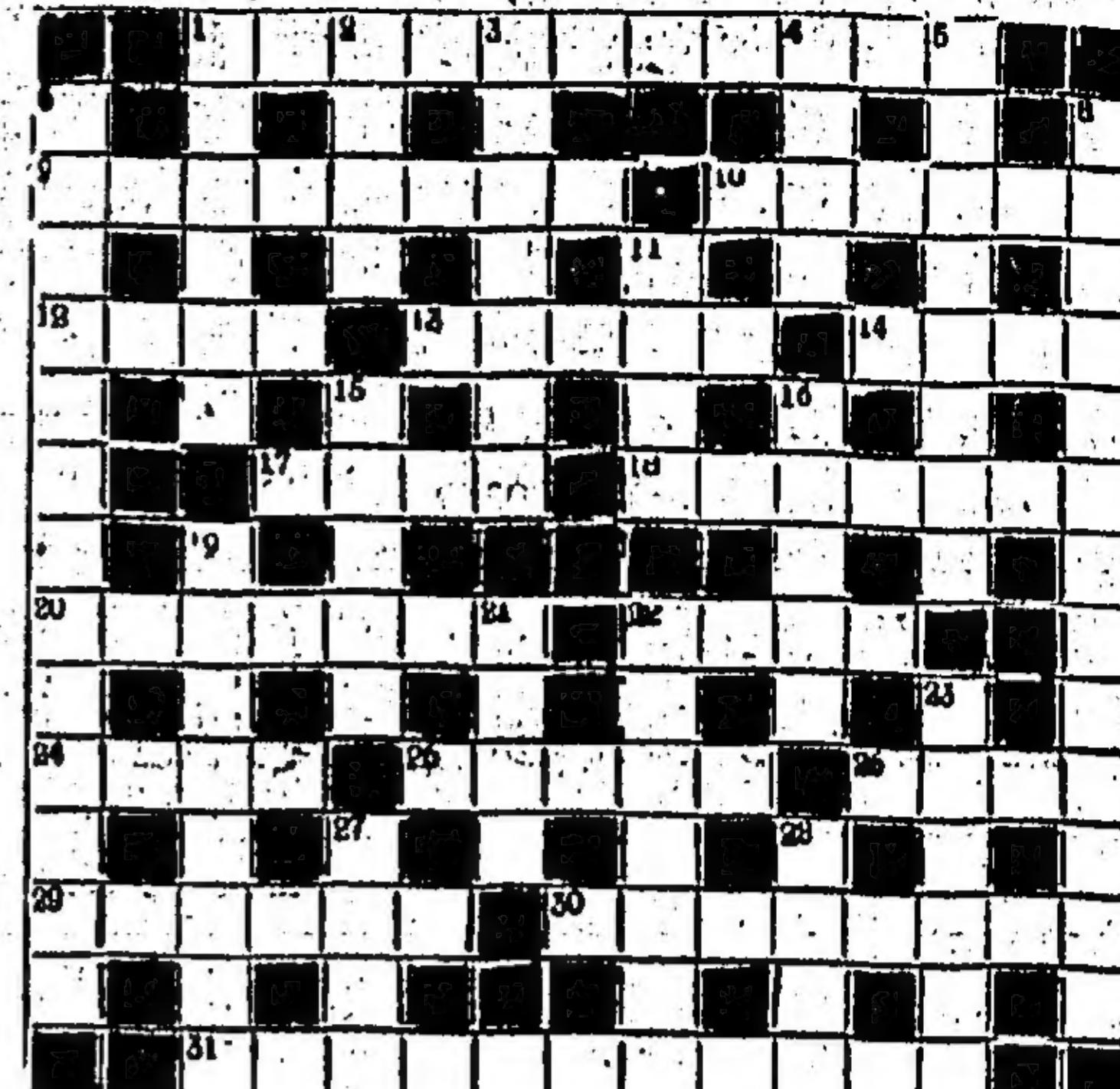
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Across.

- 1 "Her, dear sir," must bles the present fashion (anag.).
- 2 Plays over once more.
- 3 Scottish county.
- 4 The Lancashire worker whom we all want to see busy (two words).
- 5 Quite a lot on the South Coast.
- 6 This game should appeal to the strong, silent man.
- 7 Once more it will profit you.
- 8 Distributes with a lavish hand.
- 9 Hidden in Clue 12.
- 10 An aid to worship which is bound to irritate.
- 11 Quite a lot on the South Coast.
- 12 Quite a lot on the South Coast.
- 13 This doctrine—or its reverse—may be held as true.
- 14 Hero and war are equally represented.
- 15 The little buildings inside are closed here.
- 16 This your burden and make it less, in a flash.
- 17 A tool which would seem to indicate that the horse was not undressing.
- 18 English river.
- 19 May be raised on an old house without the necessity of a mortgage.
- 20 Hidden in Clue 12.
- 21 Smoked without pleasure.
- 22 Just the people one would be likely to meet in Annam.
- 23 Without a blush she sells may for a change.

Yesterday's Solution.

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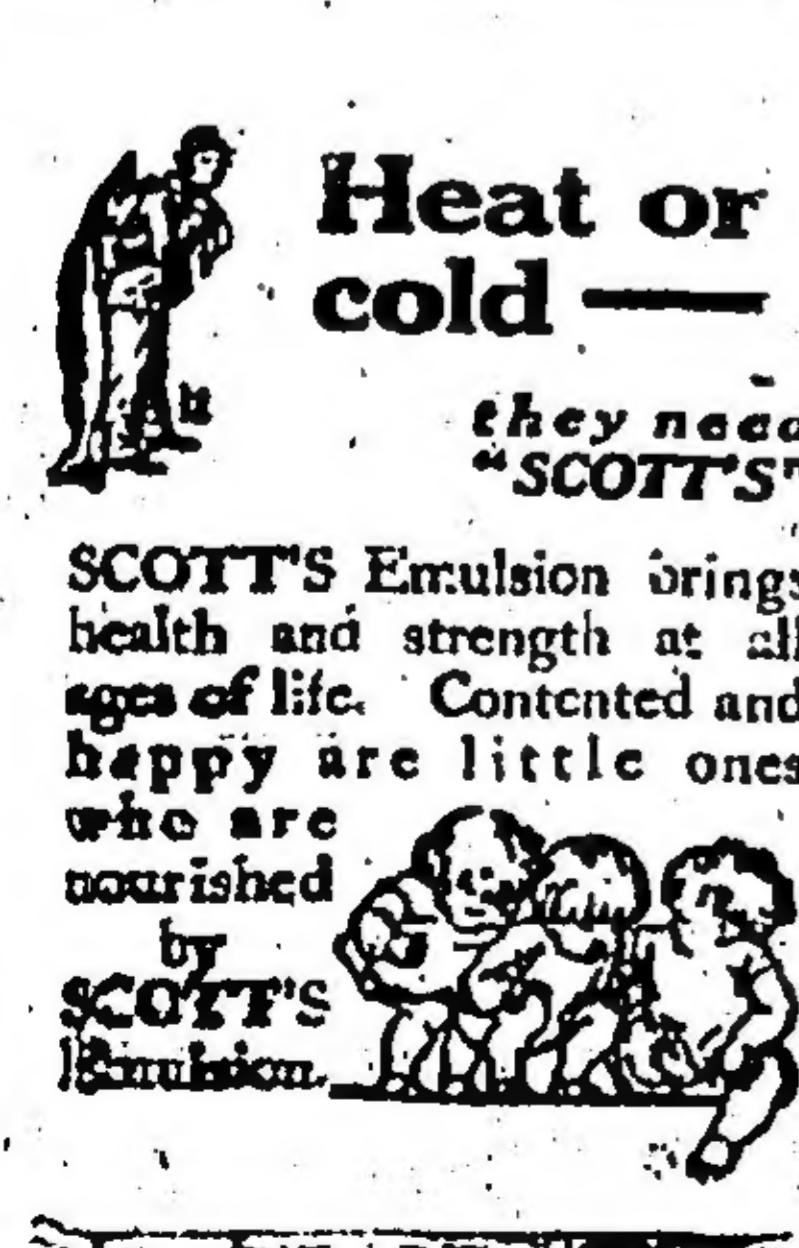
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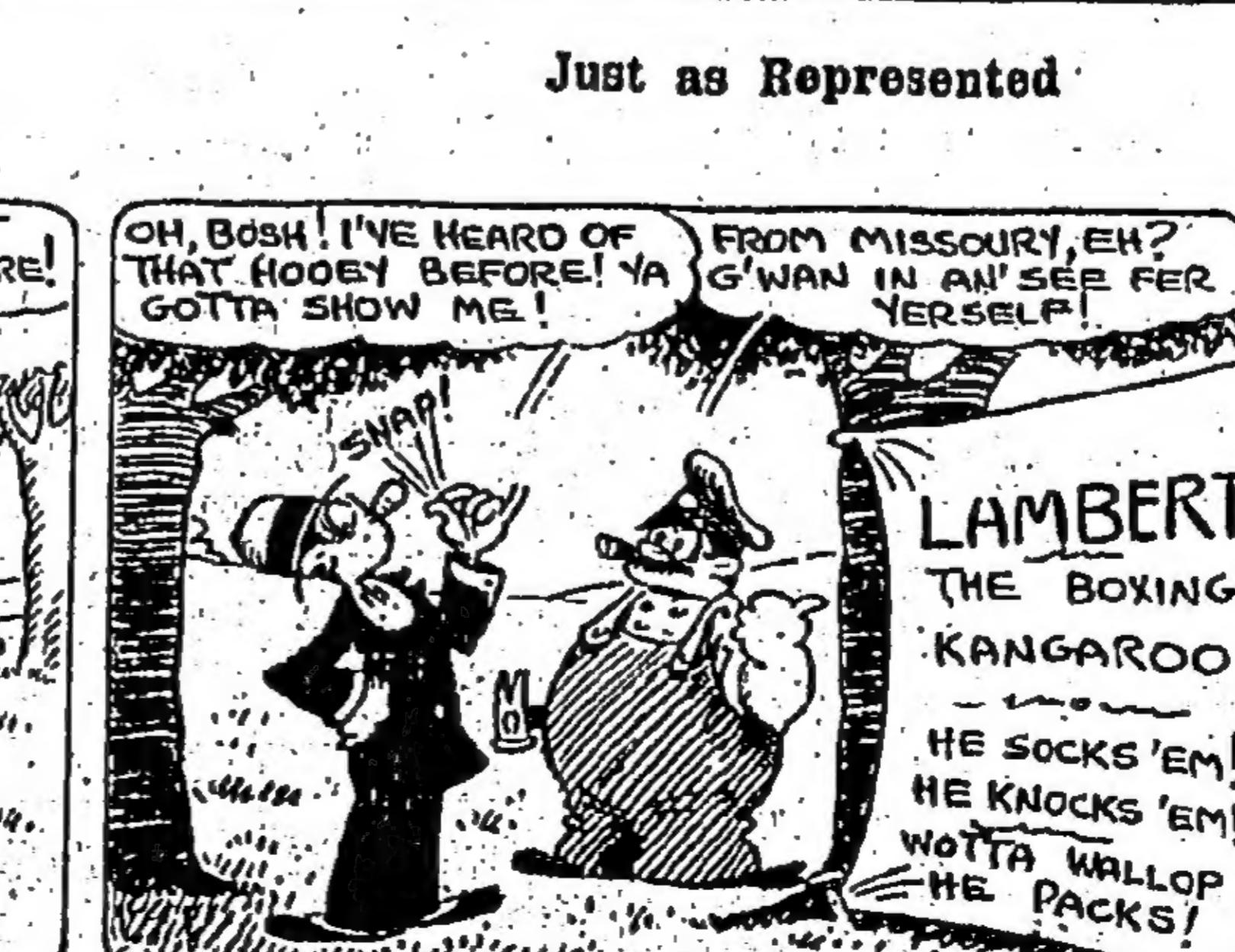
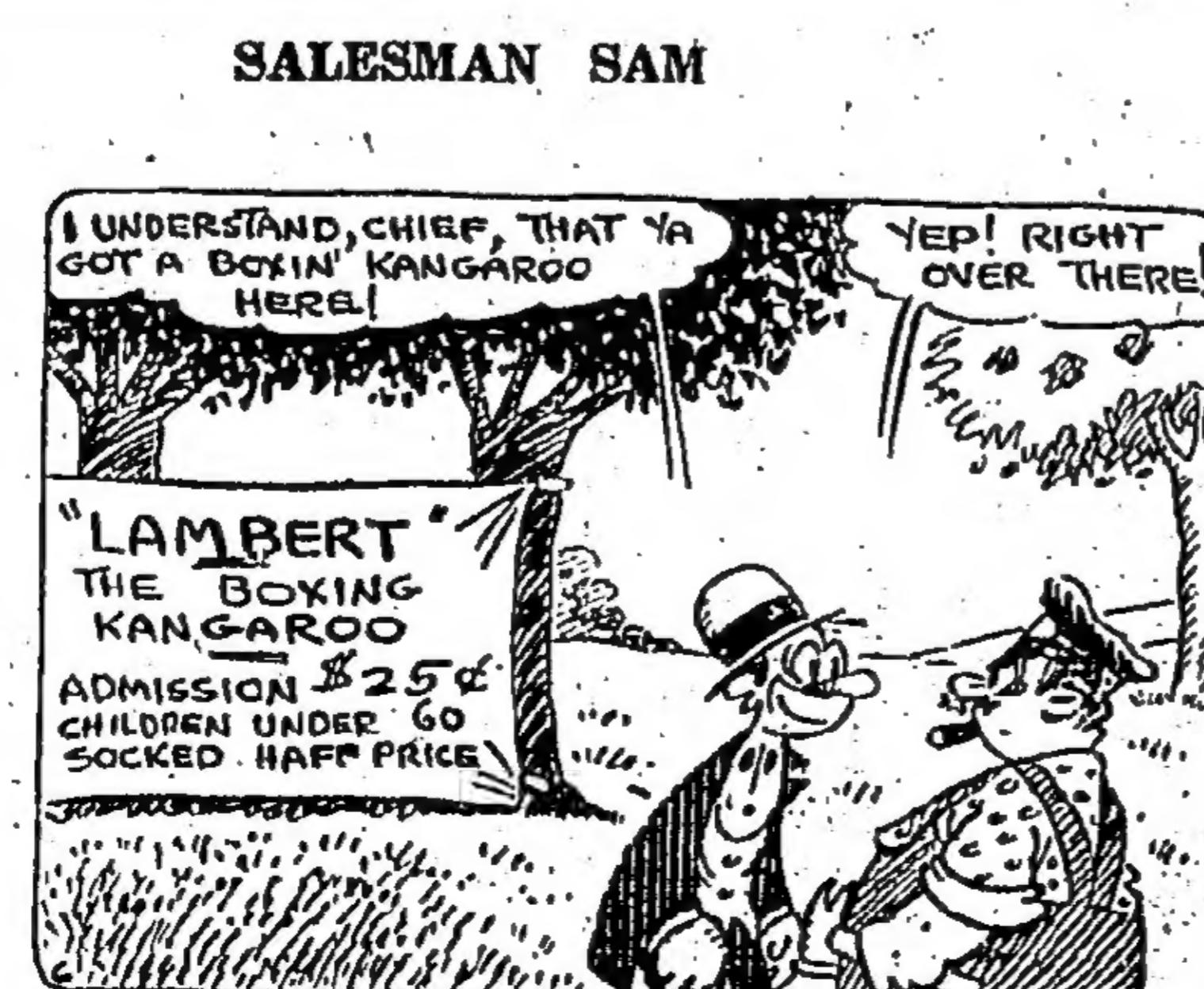
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GREAT NEW MYSTERY SERIAL

"WEEK-END MURDER"

BY GABRIEL E. FORBUSH

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY

AMOS PEABODY, elderly cousin of LINDA AVERILL, falls to his death from the second floor balcony of the Averill's Long Island home. Linda, recovering just before she dies, in time to hear his gasp, "He pushed me!"

Linda, realising her cousin had tried to kill her, was immediately rushed to the balcony. Someone steps behind her, tries to strangle her and she falls in a faint. Her husband, TOM, sees her fall and runs to her. The police are called and the house and they all appear. The guests are: MEL STATLANDER, business associate of Tom's; MARVIN, DE VOS, handsome half-brother of Marvin; PIATT, former lover of Linda's; and LILIAN SHAUGHNESSY, Irish writer. Each of them has quarreled with Tom. MARSHALL takes charge. It is assumed Cousin Amos' death was accidental and that Linda fainted from shock. When she is finally able to tell Tom what happened she realises that she must help the four guests with them until the discover who is the murderer. They are unexpectedly aided in this plan when DR. BOYLE, doctor to the guests, exclaims that everyone in the house must remain until he has questioned them. Boyle is on a fishing trip and can not return for several hours.

CHAPTER XVII.

In the silence after the little car shot out of the stone gateway Linda heard Tom emerging from one upstairs room and caught the words, "very good of you." As he stopped at another door she suddenly remembered that only three of their guests were here in the house. Tom still had one of them to notify as well as the one whom she had quartered in the garage.

"I'll run over myself and tell Mr. Shaughnessy," she thought impulsively and had pushed the screen door open before something checked her like the touch of a cold hand.

She stood on the threshold of their house and looked across the road and little lawn toward the garage. A silence so profound that it seemed to have weight and depth lay over the peaceful little scene, so clear was the day and so hot the air that clothed the world. Each pebble in the roadway stood out distinctly from its fellow, each blade of grass held itself erect and alone, unawed by the slightest current of air. The slight roughness of the stucco-walled garage showed like the moon's surface, pitted with little dark valleys, highlighted with tiny pinnacles. Above, the roof was a red that hurt and where the scalloped tiles met the

walls the shadows were geometrical, evenly dark and dark and flat. There was a sense of unreality about all she saw—and yet it had a terrible, pressing nearness which made her want to scream and run. Anything to break that air of still suspense!

"Hello, Shaughnessy! Oh, sorry—didn't mean to wake you up!" (He could sleep, exhausted, whatever had happened this morning!)

"I won't be a moment. Just wanted to ask you if you would mind staying on the rest of the day. There's been a little misunderstanding about the accident this morning. Our doctor's a bit apt to go his own way regardless of the regulations and he shouldn't have permitted the body to be moved so quickly. He okayed our taking it to Port and now that's got us all in dutch. The county medical examiner is away but he's coming back and, just to show he's boss, he's ordered us all to stay until he can go over the ground and go through the proper formalities. He's due around dinner time so if you don't mind—"

Then a sleepy murmur and when Tom spoke again his voice sounded decidedly relieved.

"That's fine. Luncheon won't be for an hour or so. Will you feel like coming over or would you rather?" Again the murmur and again Tom sounded relieved.

"Good! We'll look for you at 1."

Linda was strolling toward the house when Tom caught up with her.

"So that's all right, Binks, my child," he said cheerfully. "The beggar was still half asleep when I left but he knows he's to stay and since he hadn't made a move toward going so far as I could see—"

"Well," Linda tried to be just. "He was up early this morning—as you remember."

"Yes—I remember."

In instinctively they lowered their voices.

"I told the others to come down whenever they were ready," said Tom. "That you would be down to luncheon but would rest until then in your room."

"Where you will join me—for

our first conference," Linda answered grimly.

"That's the idea." "I'll go into the kitchen," she said. "I have to break the news to Rosie and Annie that the house party is still on their hands. I'll go up the back stairs and meet you in our room in five minutes."

"Y-e-s," said Tom, stopping with his hand on the latch of the door. "But Binks—be careful!"

"What could possibly happen in five minutes?" She stopped. What had happened in five minutes, early that still, hot morning? Not trusting herself to speak, she nodded and hurried over the grass toward the service entrance.

She presumed she gave intelligent directions, for after their first expression of concern neither Rosie nor Annie seemed to regard her with any degree of alarm. But until she got upstairs again—safely and without meeting anyone—she moved with abstracted haste, her mind concentrated on that fierce desire to see Tom again, alone, to begin with him their secret, urgent, dangerous hunt for her cousin's murderer, still within her house.

At her husband's step in the hall Linda flung open the door eagerly and he was hardly inside and the door closed before she spoke.

"Tom—do any of them ^{are} alarmed by this business about Dr. Boyle? Did you get anything from the way they took it?"

"No. Each one took it differently but all took it well. I blamed poor old Farson pretty heavily and emphasized the fact that it was only a formality. At first Statlander was distinctly disagreeable but that could be laid to his dislike of having his plans upset twice in rapid succession. He was all ready to leave and his room was neat as a pin. If there was any evidence there against him it's gone now. I reminded him we still had a lot of Valeska business to discuss and that appeared, to reconcile him. Either he really does want to finish what we're supposed to clean up this weekend or he decided he'd better seem to want to. Marvin—I'm afraid I was pretty short with Marvin. Just told him the facts and let it go at that."

"How did he act?"

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It must be water, police told a hunger marcher with a key at Washington. Police escorted key-bearers to and from the camp to be certain that no spirits reached the marchers.



Unemployment aid was one of the campaign points made by President-elect Franklin D. Roosevelt. Photo shows Mrs. Roosevelt (at right) engaging in relief work. She helped serve food to unemployed women and children at the Grand Central restaurant in New York.

the door and blocked it completely. I couldn't see into the room, and somehow I had the idea he didn't want me to. It might have been just my imagination. I—well, it wasn't any too easy for me to be civil and I can't honestly say I noticed much about him. He was stiff and had that air of holding something back, as I remember. In other words, quite himself. Then I went next door to DeVos. He was also quite himself, which meant that he was very pleasant and courteous, assured me he quite understood and that anything that made it easier for us was agreeable to him. He did ask about going off the grounds and I found he had a

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements	Contents in Acres	Annual Rental.	Upset Price
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Benguet, \$18 1/2 n.
Kailan, 25/- n.
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Shai Loans, Tls. 2.10 n.
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Benguet, Exp. 23, cta. n.

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H.K. Wharves, \$142 n.
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S. China Motors A., \$10 n.
S. China Motor B., \$8 n.
Providents (old), \$4.75 n.
Providents (now), \$1.90 n.
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Shanghai Docks, Tls. 5.56 n.
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Hotels (old), \$10.36 n.
Hotels (new), \$10 n.
H.K. Lands, \$75.50 b.
Shai Lands, Tls. 26 n.
Metropolitan Lands, Tls. 10 n.
Humphreys, \$16 1/4 n.
H.K. Realities "A", \$140 n.
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Asia Realities "B", \$28 n.
Chinese Estates, \$92 b.
China Realities, Tls. 11.40 n.
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Evo Cottons, Tls. 14.45 n.
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Tramway, \$20.60 n.
Peak Trams (old), \$15.75 b.

Star Ferries, \$96 1/2 n.

Yaumati Ferries (old), \$84 1/2 n.
Yaumati Ferries (new), \$83.75 n.

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Telephones (new), \$26 n.

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Cements (new), \$4 n.

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Amusements \$16.50 n.

Entertainments, \$18.40 n.

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CINEMA "SHOTS" AND "SEQUENCES"

COURT DRAMA

JOAN BENNETT IN KING'S FILM

If you want to see how the United States deals with a sensational case in its equivalent of the Old Bailey you may do so when *The Trial of Vivienne Ware* comes into the King's programme on Saturday.

You have a rich girl accused of murder, detectives intimidating everyone concerned, bullying barristers working themselves into a white heat of frenzy, and radio reporters telling the world about it with a total disregard of anything but their own impressions of the moment.

I suppose, so far as the rules and custom are concerned, it is all more or less authentic.

The radio reporter is accommodated in an ante-room where, apparently, he looks through a glass partition so that he may acquaint listeners with any changes in the judicial picture at the moment they occur.

He tells the story with tremendous gusto, giving full rein to his imagination in the description of the prisoner and the witnesses, even speculating on the question whether they are telling the truth or not, and decorating his tale with all the vivid slang at his disposal.



JOE E. Brown—and his mouth—provide the comedy for "Fireman, Save my Child" the Sunday attraction at the Queen's.

By his side is a radio "sob-sister," who talks over the microphone at intervals to inform American home circles how the prisoner and important witnesses are dressed and to deal with other details from the feminine angle.

As Zasu Pitts subdues her inimitable mountfulness. In this character and as Skeets Gallagher is the male reporter, you may gather how amusing and zestful those ghoulish operations become.

The heroing is played by Joan Bennett, who is quite as pretty and, I think, a little more human than the celebrated Constance.

Lillian Bond is a cabaret girl involved in the plot.

Jameson Thomas makes only a passing appearance as the philanderer whose place in the story is to be murdered, whilst the English comedian, Herbert Mundin, who admits his master was "boudoir conscious," has a lightly better chance as his butler.

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BRITISH FILMS MAKE PROGRESS

BIG IMPROVEMENT IN PRODUCTION DURING LAST YEAR

GOOD WORK BY AMERICAN STUDIOS IN ENGLAND

"CELLULOID" REVIEWS YEAR'S PICTURES

THE end of a year is generally seized upon as the opportune moment for a review of activities and writers the world over have probably covered everything from ships to sealing wax. Various summaries have appeared in Hongkong but as yet, not a word on cinemas, and mention of the Hollywood motion picture awards last week prompts me to add my quota of retrospection.

A thousand and one films to sift is an undertaking terrifying to contemplate, and that is one of the reasons why this review will be confined to British productions. American films easily outnumber the English output and should probably be given preference, but in the belief that the progress of the Empire product appeals more to the Hongkong cinema goer, while at the same time offering a wider scope of comment, I feel convinced that the procedure will be pardoned.

NO BRITISH AWARDS.

The Hollywood awards to Fredric March and Helen Hayes apparently did not apply to British films, nor even those produced in Britain by American companies, and as far as word has been received of a similar prize in Britain. It will be regrettable if nothing is done, and an avenue of valuable propaganda overlooked.

It will be argued that the system is entirely valueless, the awards trumpery and depending too much on personal taste, and tending to debase cinema art. Some of the points must be admitted, but even before the war America realized the value of the star as an advertisement and exploited it—mathematical idols and vamps to the full, and if Britain desire to offer serious opposition to Hollywood as a maker of lucrative films rather than artistic productions only, she cannot afford to overlook this means of ballyhoo.

But indications are that Britain's not missing many opportunities, and even if she is only emulating Hollywood in the number of film magazines appearing and in other forms of advertisement, it is a point for commendation.

TREMENDOUS STRIDES.

British films during 1932 made tremendous strides: none will deny that. Even on the limited number that was screened here the films we saw during the year were vastly different to the roarily photographed dragging productions that were occasionally brought on for two day runs in 1931. It was a natural evolution: film makers realized they could not go on indefinitely producing the time-worn London-type plays with their stage casts, even though the artists and situations would appeal to all English colonists, and in their search for material, enlisted the aid of England's most prominent writers to prepare stories straight for the screen. The technical side kept pace with the advances, and by emulating Hollywood here, France there, and Germany in photography, has captured the flickness that seems inseparable from the really successful film.

Any review of British films screened in Hongkong must of necessity be a trifle inaccurate as

regards time, as distribution here has not yet reached the expedition of Hollywood, and although several films were shown here and at London simultaneously, many others were made in 1931 and even 1930 in some cases. The first 1932 production to come was *Sunshine Susie*, which arrived just at the time I was thinking British films would never progress from the photographed-stage-play class. Victor Saville was responsible for the production and he left his unmistakable mark on the Yorkshire drama *Hindle Wakes*, which impressed me as the most outstanding British production of the year. He was the first British producer to exploit the use of synchronized music which marked the more recent films, *Lord Bells* and *Love on the Spot*, and his next production will be interesting.

U.S. STUDIOS IN ENGLAND. Probably the most interesting feature of British film production for the year was the establishment in England of American studios, employing English artists with English plays, but with American technicians. The first was *Reserved for Ladies*, produced by Paramount and was followed by *Aren't we All*, *The Outsider* and *The Calandar*. Cynics may say that when Britain produces a good film Americans will make it, but *Sunshine Susie* and more recently, *A Night Like This*, act as a disclaimer.

TO-DAY'S SHOWS

Queen's: "Bought." Central: "Love Contract." King's: "Madam Racketeer." Star: "Bachelor Apartment." Oriental: "Palmy Days." Majestic: "The Doomed Battalion."

TO MORROW.

Central: "Peach o' Reno." Majestic: "A Night Like This." SUNDAY. King's: "Trial of Vivienne Ware." Queen's: "Fireman, save my Child." Star: "The Man they Couldn't Arrest."

A constant controversy is being waged in England as to whether British films should set Hollywood as the pattern, and follow blindly in its footsteps. Whatever the arguments, the British films of late have been approaching the American in every respect, and there seem to be few complaints. Certainly none will cavil at the Hollywood slickness being developed at Elstree, Twickenham and elsewhere: those dragging halts in action while the obvious or superfluous happened were among the things that set the early British films back, and the camera tricks and time-saving super-impositions that marked *Life Goes On* and *Hindle Wakes* were pleasing signs. Britain is gradually constructing a film world of its own with an exclusive band of artists, producers, technicians and writers, and the outlook for 1933 is decidedly promising. With producers like Jack Raymond, Victor Saville and Leslie Hiscott, and artists like Gordon Harker, Jack Buchanan, Belle Chrystal, Winifred Shattock and the Aldwych cast, brighter and better films should come.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

DOG TRAVELS 1000 MILES BACK TO LOCAL BOY

Limping and exhausted, after a thousand miles of travel, Poodle, a pet dog belonging to Freckles McGoosey, returned home last night. The dog's feet were worn sore by the journey and she barely reached her destination.



GRUELING cross examination of Lillian Bond by attorney Alan Dinehart. One of the many court scenes featuring "The Trial of Vivienne Ware" at the King's to morrow.

BROAD SATIRE

Wheeler and Woolsey Make Jokes at Reno Divorce

OF all the broad targets for satire in the world to-day none could be broader or more inviting than divorce proceedings in Reno and *Peach o' Reno*, due tomorrow at the Central, exploits the satire—to its full. The trouble is that it is too broad—it is not so much shooting at a sitting pheasant as at a sitting haystack.

And if we meet the heroine again in a similar frame of mind 'n ten years' time, it will still be 'oo soon. She is plain dumb. Either she has a friend in the business, or Mrs. Joe Brown is taking a hand in the casting to keep Joe out of temptation.

The other girl, Lillian Bond, 'espies her slightly crossed eye, looks as though she could do something with some material. She has quite a presence. Poor old Joe has only this girl, his mouth, and a fire-bomb to support all the old acquaintances of the lecture.

Doubtless, the baseball sequences would count for a good deal on the other side, but not here. Joe gets a few laughs. He works his vocal gam to death. Finishes on an intimate touch that appeals, making a crack at the expense of his dividend-paying mouth.

Its virtue evaporates in the voyage across the Atlantic.

The film moves at an efficient business-like pace.

MAD JOE BROWN

COMEDY FILM AT QUEEN'S

INTRODUCING many old friends, jokes, and characters, *Fireman, Save My Child* comes to the Queen's on Sunday. Also an occasional situation. To say nothing of the mainspring of the story.

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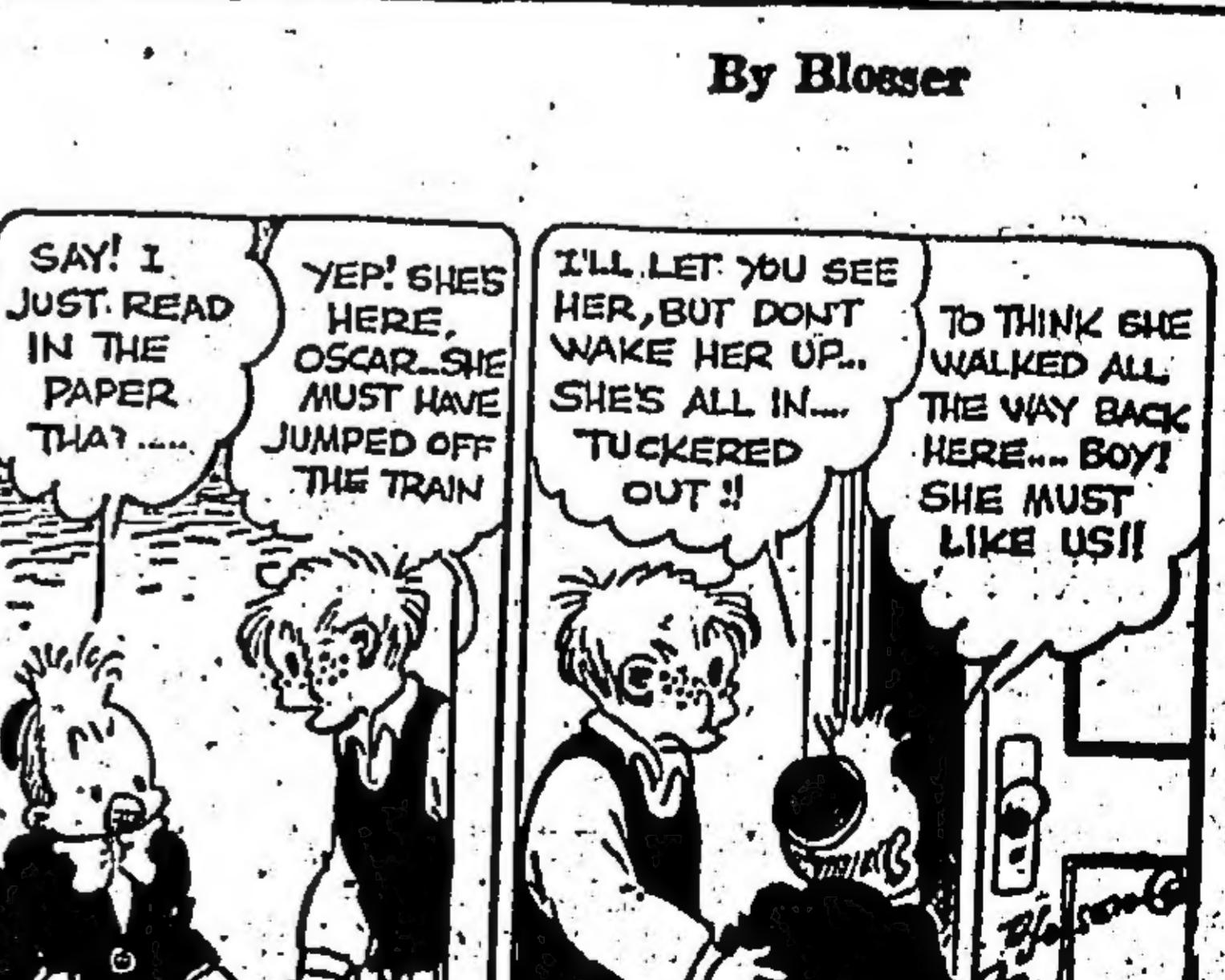
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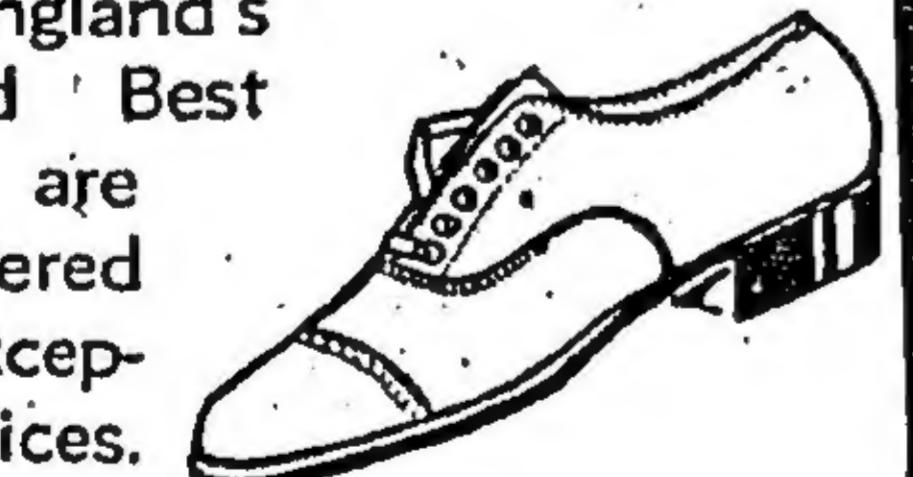
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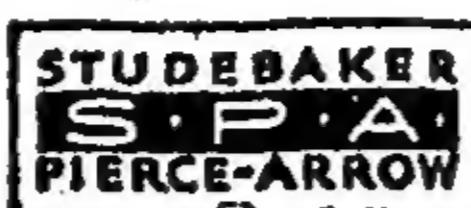
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FAR EAST CRISIS REACTIONS

World press comment on the crisis in North China runs along expected lines, with the more liberal-minded journals roundly berating Japan and the conservative papers, if not actually supporting the Japanese activities, inclined to suspend judgment. None the less, there does appear to be a general disposition to recognise the gravity of the situation. In particular, it is widely felt that the problem confronting the League of Nations has been rendered all the more complex and difficult as a consequence of the latest developments. Whatever Japan's explanation for acting as she has deemed fit to do, it would seem that she has not improved her case by resorting, at this stage, to further demonstrations of force. The suspicion persists that she is proceeding according to a well-laid programme, of which her actions in Manchuria were but the prelude. Of immediate importance is the likely reaction of the League to the new turn of events. A fresh battle of words may be expected, with the Chinese and Japanese delegates each denying any responsibility for the Shantung affair. It seems doubtful, however, whether the League will even now be moved to take any definite action. After many weary months of temporising, it still has to face the original issue as to whether Japan exceeded her rights in Manchuria. Whatever the real explanation may be, there has long been apparent a marked disinclination on the part of the League to pass judgment, despite the fact that its own specially-appointed Commission definitely charged Japan with seizing a large area of indisputably Chinese territory. If there were any prospects of unanimity between the Powers, the situation might be otherwise. French opinion, we note, is that the League should not embark upon any adventure, as this would prove futile in the absence of any force to impose sanctions on Japan. This is an obvious reference to the much-desired French thesis of an international force. But in point of actual fact, if the League has no force of its own, the Covenant does provide the machinery by which such a force could be made available. It is laid down in Article XVI that in the case of a nation against whom sanctions are decided, the Council of the League shall recommend to the Governments concerned what effective military, naval and air forces the members of the League shall severally contribute to the armed force to be used to protect the covenants of the League. This machinery has never yet been brought into use, for the

simple reason that the League has never had occasion to outlaw any country. So far as the present crisis is concerned, of course, there can be no question of the League taking action against Japan until the Council has decided whether or not she has infringed her undertakings. On this point, it seems extremely unlikely that unanimity will be reached. In other words, unless developments occur which literally force the hands of the members, Japan will be able to continue, for all practical purposes, to disregard League opinion.

Von Schleicher

General von Schleicher's recent speeches have not encouraged a profound belief in his tact and discretion; but his emergence as Chancellor was in two respects, at any rate, satisfactory. It put an end to rumours that the aged President had been stalemate by the course of events and no longer knew to whom to turn; and it marks a conditional return, at any rate, to Parliamentary government and the abandonment for the time being of Von Papen's attempts to dispense with it. Whether the new Chancellor can command a majority in the Reichstag remains to be seen. Much depends, doubtless, on the composition of his Cabinet. The inclusion of Baron von Neurath, a man of sense and moderation, who has won just regard both at Geneva and in England is at least a good omen. But the mood of compromise which the Chancellor has shown does not mean that he intends to administer the country with a loose hand. The contrary must be expected, and neither the Communists, whom he hates, nor Adolf Hitler, whom he is disposed to like, will be allowed to disturb the harmony he proposes to maintain in Germany during the winter months. The reputation of a "strong silent man" which he has hitherto had hardly does justice to his complex personality. He is more at home with politicians than professional soldiers. He has a flexible mind, he is a witty talker. Under his direction Germany should enjoy a repose she has not known for many years.

A Public Servant Retires

The retirement of Sir Malcolm Delevigne, who recently left the post of Deputy Permanent Under-Secretary of State at the Home Office after holding it for nineteen busy years, removes from the stage one who has played a big part in international affairs since the war. Sir Malcolm is best known for his work in fighting the international drug menace. Essentially practical in his outlook, he has sought by steady pressure on the conscience of officials throughout the world to draw a net around the drug smuggler through increased international administrative efficiency. The process of tightening the net has seemed slow to some. But it has undoubtedly had good results. Better, perhaps, than would have been achieved had more spectacular methods been adopted before the world was ready for them. Sir Malcolm himself would be the first to admit that much still remains to be done. It is good news that his retirement will not prevent him from continuing to deal with the international side of the anti-drug campaign. Not only his experience, but his whole-hearted devotion to the cause for which he has done so much, are needed at Geneva. There is another side to Sir Malcolm's work which is less widely known. He was largely responsible for drafting the articles of the Treaty of Versailles which form the charter of the International Labour Organisation. The I. L. O. is not very much "in the news." Nevertheless, it plays a big part in moulding the history of these times. By slow degrees, and with much compromise, it is gradually building up a common code of rights for workers throughout the world.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY

MAKE NO VOWS TO FORBEAR THIS OR THAT: IT SHOWS NO GREAT STRENGTH, AND MAKES THEE RIDE BEHIND THYSELF.—Faulkner.

BOW BELLS

By ROBERT LYND

Many people will be gratified to hear that the town of Tomelloso, in Spain, has put a tax on bell-ringing. For the first nine minutes of ringing the tax will be a shilling. If you are not satisfied, you can go on ringing for 20 minutes for 1s. 6d.; and there are special terms for longer periods.

I have said that many people will be pleased to hear this. I do not approve of such people. They are the sort of people who would like to bring into existence an entirely noiseless world—a world in which the bell of the muffin man would be silenced and the cry of the lavender-seller forbidden.

Such people would, if they could, put silencers on the throats of nightingales. In their ideal world, Schnabel would play Beethoven on a dumb piano, in which all the right notes would be struck without producing a sound.

I cannot blame the anti-bell-ringers too severely, however, for I was once one of them. As a boy I hated bells with an intensity of hatred. I lived near a church the bell-tower of which hung torture into the air, not only on Sundays, but in the week-day practices. Never did I turn round for a little more slumber on Sunday morning but a tumble of malevolent demons of sound issued from that tower, compelling me to rise and hasten to a more distant church in order to escape them.

Never did I choose an evening on which to say to myself, "Now I must do some work" but, as soon as I opened my Julius Caesar, the bells would choose the particular occasion to send forth a host of impish tormentors to make work impossible. My masters would never believe me when they asked me why I had come unprepared, and I explained that I had been worried by church-bells; but there was a grain of truth in the explanation.

Even then, however, I had a curious sentimental tenderness for bells that were rung elsewhere than in my own city. I liked bells in poetry. I liked the notion of a bell ringing from a village church across a valley on a peaceful Sunday evening. If wireless had existed at the time, I should probably have listened with romantic appreciation to bells from all over Europe.

I even thought it must be romantic to hear the bell of Big Ben striking midnight, and on my first night in London I sat in my bed-sitting room in Vauxhall Bridge-road and, when Big Ben struck twelve, did my best to feel there was a grain of truth in the explanation.

How I was Converted

What it was that ultimately converted me, if not to the love, at least to the toleration, of bells, I am not quite certain. I think it must have been a meeting with a real bell-ringer. Some of my friends during my boyhood had been bell-ringers, but I always took it for granted that they enjoyed annoying their neighbours. There was no mystic light in their eyes when they spoke of their hobby. Bell-ringing, so far as they were concerned, seemed to be merely an alternative to knockercrunching.

If the world is going to tax enthusiasm, it is a bad look-out for the world.

Years afterwards, however, I

was sitting in an inn in an English village, when a little man with a mystical light in his eyes entered into conversation with me and led me into the talk gradually to the subject of bell-ringing. He spoke of it with such ardour that, when he offered to get the key of the church tower and take me up among the bells, I could not resist the invitation.

No bibliophile, admitting one

into the library of first editions of the Elizabethans, ever gave one a greater feeling that we were entering sacred ground. As we climbed to the bell-ringing loft, he told me in a husked voice of the exploits of the village team. They

had rung the changes, apparently,

for an enormous number of hours,

surpassing every other team but

one or two. I gathered that what

the team aimed at was to be able

to go on ringing the changes for a

week without stopping, and with

every peal different from every

other.

I Hear of Ringers' Exploits

If any man had proposed to do such a thing in my native city, I should have looked upon him as a villain, a campanological Torquemada. But this little man was in love with bells, as Mr. E. V. Lucas was in love with cricket, and I became infected with his ecstasy. He told me of great teams of bell-ringers of the past, and pointed to their names inscribed on brass on the walls of the loft. These were to him heroes far exceeding the winners of the Ashes in Test cricket or the "actors" in the Oxford and Cambridge Rugby match or Boat Race. He pointed to the name of Tom Cobleigh on several of the brass plates in a way that made it clear that he regarded Tom Cobleigh, and not W. G. Grace, as the Greatest man of all time. Not for him your Ronald Poulton and Adrian Stoops in a world that had bred such mighty bell-ringers as Billie Brewer and Peter Gurney. If you had invited his opinion of Carpenter, I am sure he would have shaken his head and asked you whether Carpenter could ring a bell like Harry Hawke.

I Try to be Unselfish

Now nearly all sports get enormous publicity nowadays. Yet here, I discovered, in an ancient English village, were sportsmen greater than any other sportsmen, playing a game better than any other game, almost unnoticed except by the people who had to listen to them. Their scores were recorded in the loft, and would have looked perfectly horrible to anybody who hated the sound of bells. Yet, even if they broke a record, I doubt whether their feat would sell out a single edition of an evening paper. Never before had I seen such simple-minded devotion, such total immersion in the love of the game. Since meeting my little friend, I have never listened to a peal of bells without feeling that, whatever the effect on my own nerves may be, it is making some body else tremendously happy. One has no more right to object to the noise than to object to the roaring of the crowd at a Cup Final. It is the enthusiasm, not the tintinnabulation, that matters, and so long as men of such selfless enthusiasm as the bell-ringers survive, there is hope for civilisation.

If the world is going to tax enthusiasm, it is a bad look-out for the world.

Years afterwards, however, I

The Very Idea!

BARRACKING BALLADS

By Edward Kelly, Father of XL

Protests, we are given to understand, are being voiced regarding the barracking proclivities of the Australians.

Barracking—From the Greek... Bar—a drinking resort—rak, in wreck and ruin—Kerr, a Scottish gentleman. A Scottish gentleman who has been ruined by drink.

As sportsmen, we are inclined to deplore all the fuss about barracking. We agree with Mr. Gilligan. It's how you take your barracking that counts.

What a time we had when we played with the Test team in eightynine.

We often had things thrown at us. We were hit on the head by a beer bottle at Sydney.

Since then we have not been what we were—in fact we never were. We attribute our remarkable success as a journalist to this incident.

On another occasion someone in the gallery scolded a mad dog on to us just after we had completed our first century. We finished our next 100 in even time but the dog caught us.

Fortunately for the Hongkong public we recovered from the bite. The dog, however, died.

The Australians, sir, take their cricket seriously, sir. They swarm out to the cricket ground on horseback, on foot, in sulkihs, in buggies, in carts, cars, trucks, vans, rickshas, wagons, lorries, traps, cabs, omnibuses... don't interrupt, Sir, I've got the measure of those bowlers... barrows, phantoms, droskis, velocipedes, bicycles, tricycles, quadrupeds, ambulances, perambulators... won't be long now, sir... tumbrils, toboggans, scooters, billy-carts and pantechinos, Sir.

Quivering like an aspen we took the stand. We remember it as if it was only yesterday.

We blocked the first. We ducked the second. We dribbled the third back to the bowler. The fourth was a No Ball. We put our body in front of the fifth and survived the appeal. We swiped at the sixth and missed it.

"Hey," yelled someone in the Grand Stand. "What's your think you're doing? Playing a game?"

Yes, Sir, the Australians take their cricket seriously.

HOWL (ERS).

We are still disarming but so far only on paper. Each of the great powers has scrapped one schedule and agreed to internationalise a formula. Reserves (of stationery) are to be demobilised, but this will take some time.

Sir John Simon (this is confidential) scored a great personal triumph.

The League of Nations is invading Manchuria, under General Wellington Koo. This is what they call a *coo d'Etat*. It inauguates a Peace to end Peaces.

FERRY FOOLISH.

What is a flirt, you ask? (I didn't!) Shut up! You didn't. We've got to work this in some way.

A Flirt is a Fickle Female who Ferry Foolishly Fiddles with a Fellow's First Fond Fancies, Fans the Festerings Fires of Folly, Finally Followed by Felicitous Philosophy Far From Funny to the Foolish *Filandor*. But if her Former Fine Feelings be Firmly Freed From the Past Frowns and Fetter of Frivolity, Fat Feeding will be Furnished For, the Fortunate Favourite.

"The 'P' is silent as in Pkelly."

ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Rhoda (Kowloon Tong): No, dear, spats with evening dress are quite wrong. You should write to Porcy a little note telling him you have made a mistake and saying you are sorry. Men are "little kattos" you know, and very "sensitive" to criticism.

Eva (The Peak): Oh dear no. We are afraid it was one of Edward Kelly's "clever" jokes. Between ourselves, we think it just the wee-est bit doubtful in taste. We don't mean that the humour is not gentlemanly, of course, but it does look as though Mr. Kelly thought the association of intelligence and the Peak to be funny.

J.K.W. (1) Sorry your goldfish are a trifle of colour. You are unlucky. You

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. COOLIDGE

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read by the light of an oil lamp when electricity could easily have been supplied—these picturesque happenings being duly recorded by the press.

FOREIGN POLICY.

As regards his policy he was against the U. S. joining the League of Nations on the ground that the country did not want to get mixed up in other people's affairs. He emphasised the necessity for the payment of war-debts. Denying that the U. S. made money out of the war, he claimed that it saved Europe from collapse after the armistice and did its full duty to the cause of peace by sharing its vast resources. Keenly interested in bringing about the reduction of armaments to ensure peace, he was in favour of the Kellogg



The late Mr. Coolidge.

Pact. His proposal to hold a disarmament conference was, however, foreshadowed by the League but he agreed to the U. S. participating in the rival conference which was held in 1927 and ended in a deadlock.

NAVAL BUILDING.

The sequel was a huge U. S. naval construction programme, but it met with great hostility in all parts of the country and was gradually cut down to 16 light cruisers and one aircraft-carrier. Even this proposal was rejected by the Senate in May, 1928, against the wish of Mr. Coolidge, who was equally opposed to extremes of militarism or pacifism. When the Senate made reservations regarding American participation in the World Court, he said he would take no further action in the matter, but two years later in Nov. 1928, he expressed his desire that an attempt should be made to devise a formula which would enable the U. S. to join.

He was opposed to the anti-Japanese decision of the Senate, with which he also had a brush over the nomination of C. B. Warren as Attorney-General. He twice refused to confirm the appointment with the result that he had to nominate J. G. Sargent, who was accepted.

HOME POLICY.

Coolidge's home policy was one of economy and he was against the soldiers' bonus. He was in favour of Prohibition and believed that the reinforced tariff had brought an era of more than average prosperity to the country, but this prosperity did not last long. Owing to the trouble in Nicaragua he sent Marines there in 1927 to protect American lives and property and they remained in the country till 1931. At the Pan-American Congress at Havana in Jan. 1928, he strove to allay the suspicions of the Latin States by declaring that the sovereignty of small countries would be respected.

DECLINES SECOND TERM.

As early as Aug. 1927, he stated that he would not stand again for the Presidency. When in Oct. 1928, Mr. Hoover started his campaign, Coolidge gave him no support and in bidding him a public farewell merely said: "I wish you a pleasant trip to California and a safe return." He had in fact strongly resented a proposal made some time before that Hoover should be appointed Secretary of State. At the end of his term of office, Mr. Coolidge became a director of the New York Life Insurance Co. and wrote for American magazines.

Personally he was shrewd and sensible without being brilliant. Far from effusive, he broke down the old custom of daily shaking hands with the hundreds and sometimes thousands who visit the White House in the summer. His opponents described him as a "four Yankee—taciturn, crabbed, dry, weaned on a clothes-peg." Reuter and I.B.S.

At the Supreme Court this morning the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) intimated that in view of the fact that the holiday in connexion with Chinese New Year falls on Thursday and Friday, January 26th and 27th, he would take the Summary List on Wednesday, January 25th, and on ordinary list in Chambers on Saturday January 28th.

BURGLARY AT THE PRESIDENT LINER PEAK

BANK MANAGER VICTIMISED

For the second time within the space of two months a burglary has occurred at the residence of Mr. W. J. Waddington, Manager of the P. and O. Bank, at his residence, No. 510, The Peak, Magazine Gap.

A report of the occurrence has been made to the police by Mrs. Waddington, who states that some time between 11 p.m. on Wednesday and 10 a.m. yesterday, some gained admission to the drying-room of the house and stole two fur coats, a red fox neck fur, a new blanket and a quantity of underclothing. The total loss is put at \$525.

It appears that the burglar entered the drying-room by forcing a typhoon shutter and then smashing a pane of glass. Both Mr. and Mrs. Waddington were at home at the time, but neither heard any noise, the drying-room being situated at the back of the house.

Subsequently, a gardener's implement and a pair of new Chinese shoes were discovered on the hillside at the back of the residence, but no trace of the stolen articles has been found.

EMPIRE AERIAL SERVICE

NEW PLANE LEAVES FOR THE CAPE

London, Jan. 5. The first machine of the new fleet of eight four-engined passengers mono-planes, for service on the Empire routes of the Imperial Airways, left Croydon today for Capetown. It has a top speed of 160 miles an hour and is equipped for tropical and semi-tropical climates.

Other machines will leave at short intervals to take up stations at various points along the routes. When all are in service, the whole of the 12,000 miles of Imperial Airways Empire routes will be completely equipped.—British Wires.

DOLLAR RISES A FARTHING

BUT LOCAL MARKET EASY

Reflecting a rise in silver prices, the Hongkong dollar advanced a farthing to 1s. 3½d. The undertone of the local market, however, is inclined to be easy.

Silver rose 6½ths in London, chiefly due to China buying and sellers holding back. After the official fixing, the market ruled steady, with America more inclined to buy than sell.

In New York, silver rose half a cent to 25·6/8, on a steady market. The cross-rate has improved to 3·34·8.

Last night, at the Star Theatre, the San Carlo Grand Opera Company presented Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" in a full house which was greatly pleased at the polished acting and singing by the leading members of the Company. Unfortunately, programmes did not contain the names of the individual performers. The part of Madame Butterfly was splendidly taken, as was also that of Pinkerton, while the chorus work was excellent.

DAY BY DAY: NEWS IN BRIEF

The local Filipino community will celebrate Rizal Day with a musical concert at the Peninsula Hotel on Sunday, 8th January, commencing at 8·45 p.m.

Meers, Whiteway, Laidlaw & Co., Ltd. announce that their store will be closed to-morrow, Saturday, when preparations will be made for the annual sale which commences on Monday, 9th January.

A meeting to discuss the possibility of forming a local Group of Toe H is to be held at Jardine, Matheson & Company's Board Room on the 10th instant, at 5·30 p.m. His Excellency the Governor is to preside.

A report has been made to the police by Mr. A. Dransfield, time keeper of the Taiaco Sugar Refinery, to the effect that Cheung On, aged 32, a coolie, of 9, West Street, received injuries to his right leg when he fell from a ladder. He was later taken to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

St. George's Ball is being held at the Peninsula Hotel to-night. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel will be received by the President, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, and other officials of the Society, and the procession will include a guard of honour composed of Beefeaters. There will be a buffet supper, but no speeches.

BURGLARY AT THE PRESIDENT LINER IN COLLISION

CHINA MERCHANT BOAT DAMAGED

SHANGHAI MISHAP

As the Dollar liner President Van Buren was steaming down the Whangpoo River, bound from Shanghai to Hongkong, a collision occurred with the China Merchant Steam Navigation Company's river boat Kiang Wah.

Both vessels were proceeding down the river at slow speed when, almost opposite the Customs House, it was seen that a collision was inevitable. Both ships immediately reversed, and the President Van Buren had almost stopped when the Kiang Wah was struck.

Considerable damage, however,

was done to the Shanghai vessel.

A large gaping hole, fortunately

MR. HORACE LO TO WED

MISS GRACE HO TUNG AS BRIDE

It is announced that the wedding will take place, probably at the end of January, between Miss Grace Ho Tung, seventh daughter of Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Mr. Lo Man-ho, more popularly known as Mr. Horace Lo, a member of the firm of solicitors, Messrs. Lo and Lo, and youngest son of Mr. Lo Cheung-shui, of 20, Conduit Road. The marriage will unite two of the best-known families in the Colony.

Mr. Lo is a brother to Messrs. M. K. and M. W. Lo, former tennis champions of the Colony, and himself, no mean exponent of the game regularly competes in the open tennis championship. As is known, Mrs. M. K. Lo is a daughter of Sir Robert Ho Tung.

SUGAR MARKET

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals

March 5/23 up 3½d.
May 5/4½ up 1d.
August 5/7½ up 1d.
December 5/11½ up 1½d.
Buyers of above prices, sellers asking 3½d—3½d more.

New York Terminals

March .75 no change.
May .80 no change.
July .85 down 1 pt.
September .90 down 1 pt.
Cuban 96—Spot N. Y. .80 no change.

COTTON & WHEAT

LATEST NEW YORK QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Frits have received the following quotations on the New York cotton and wheat exchange for yesterday:

	Opening Range	Closing Range
January	6·09-6·09	6·12-6·12
March	6·22-6·21	6·12-6·18
May	6·34-6·33	6·28-6·29
July	6·47-6·47	6·42-6·43
October	6·68-6·67	6·59-6·59
December	6·79-6·79	6·71-6·71
Spot	—	6·26
Chicago	Winnipeg	
May	46½	46½
July	47½	46½
September	48½	—
October	—	47½

HELENA MAY CONCERT

BRIGHT PROGRAMME BY LOCAL ARTISTS

Messdames Arnold, E'velle and E'velle, were the artists who contributed to a delightful concert in the Helena May Institute yesterday afternoon.

Mr. D'Aquino sang six numbers, "Serenade" from Pagliacci, "Si vous l'avez compris" (Denza), "Ay-ay-ay" (Perez-Freire), "Recitative" from Pagliacci, "Perdimento" (Tosti) and "Princeseta (Padilla).

Mrs. Sanger rendered "Three Princesses," "The Swan," and three old French pastoral arias.

An instrumental trio, comprising Messdames Arnold, E'velle and Mr. E'velle offered "Allegro con Brio," "Andante con Variation," "Menuet" and "Prestissimo."

All the items were well received, and the concert proved entirely enjoyable.

AEROPLANE RESCUE.

BIG GAME HUNTER GORED BY A BUFFALO

London, Jan. 5. An aeroplane was the means of a thrilling rescue of a big-game hunter, who was seriously gored by a buffalo in the deserted African bush.

The hunter was Captain Voners Lang, who arrived in that part of the country recently in the course of an expedition from the Cape to Cairo, travelling in a light delivery van.

He went shooting in the Mural country, where the accident happened. Some natives made a 60-mile dash to the nearest town, Nairobi, from where a telegram was sent, bringing a local Airways Company pilot to the rescue.

The pilot landed in rough country and picked up the injured man, taking him to hospital in Nairobi.

Though seriously injured the hunter's condition is not dangerous.

Our Own Correspondent.

RADIO BROADCAST

RECORDED CONCERT FROM STUDIO

From Z. B. W. on wave-length of 355 metres (845 k/c):
4·30-7 p.m. Chinese recorded programme.
7-10·30 p.m. European programme.

7 p.m. Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8·30-9 p.m. Variety.

Band—Circus Rhapsody.

The Jungle Band. 6093.

Song—in a Shanty in Old Shanty Town.

Song—As Long as Love Lives On.

Belle Baker (Comedienne). 6309.

Chorus—My Little Persian Rose.

Orchestra—Little Grey Home in the West.

Brinsford Salon Orchestra. 6005.

Vocal Trio—Someone Stole Gabriel's Horn.

Vocal Trio—Jig Time.

The Three Keys. 6368.

Orchestra—Banking on the Weather.

Orchestra—Masquerade.

Ted Black and His Orch. 24046.

Song—I Cried for You.

Song—I Can't Believe That It's You.

Connie Boswell (Comedienne). 6267.

Orchestra—My Memories.

Orchestra—Bohemian Romance.

The A. and P. Gypsies. 4003.

Orchestra—If You Were Only Mine.

Orchestra—The Night When Love Was Born.

Leo Reisman and His Orch. 24047.

Song—Mandy Lou.

Negro Spiritual—Gwine to Hobb'n.

John Charles Thomas (Baritone).

Orchestra—Play That Hot Guitar.

Orchestra—Deep Sea Low Down.

Bornie Cummins and His Orch. 24053.

Vocal Duo—I Don't Mind Walkin' in the Rain.

Vocal Duo—I Wonder How It Feels.

Cotton and Morphew. 4876.

Vocal Gems—The Band Wagon.

Victor Young and the Brunswick Orchestra. 6172.

Orchestra—Three in a Match.

Orchestra—Heros Hoping.

Paul Whitman and His Orch. 24089.

10·30-10·3 p.m. A Concert.

Violin Solo—Liebesleid (Love's Sorrow) (Kreisler).

Violin Solo—Liebesleid (Love's Joy) (Kreisler).

Piano Solo—Napoleon (Sgambati).

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LONDON STOCK PRICES

GILT-EDGED ISSUES WEAK

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Frits in conjunction with Reuter. Gilt-edged securities were weak yesterday. Otherwise the markets were generally quietly firmer.

	Jan. 4.	Jan. 5.
Brit.-Amer. Tob.	103 1/4	103 1/4
Japan 5% Sterling	£ 57 1/2	£ 59 1/2
Loan 1907	£ 57 1/2	£ 59 1/2
Loan 1924	£ 68	£ 69
5% Shil.-Nanking Rly.	£ 38-43	£ 38-43
5% Tient.-Pukow Rly.	£ 26-30	£ 25-30
5% Tient.-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan)	£ 25-30	£ 23-28
5% Shil.-Hang-chow — Ningpo Rly.	£ 78-83	£ 78-83
5% Hukung Rly.	£ 25-29	£ 25-29
5% Honan Rly.	£ 5-10	£ 5-10
5% Lung Tsing U. Hal Rly. 1913	£ 15-19	£ 15-19
Chinese Eng. & Min.	25/-	25/-
Canadian Pac. Rly.	£ 21	£ 21 1/2
Shil. Elec. Constr.	53/-	53/-
Burmah Oil	61/3	61/3
Anglo-Persian Oil	38/2	38/1 1/2
Mexican Eagle	7 7/2	7 7/2
Royal Dutch	£ 18 1/2	£ 19 1/2
J. & P. Coats	48/6	48/6
Dally Mail Trust	35/6	35/6
Imp. Chemical Industries	25/-	25/-
Imp. Tobacco	97/6	97/6
General Electric (England)	39/6	40/-
Turner & Newall	25/-	25/-
Unilever	31/9	32/3
Vickers	7/3	7/3
Dunlop Rubber	20/-	20/-
Burma Corp.	10/3	10/3
Anglo-Dutch	9/3	9/3
Shell Trans. & Trad.	50/-	50/-
Courtaulds	32/-	32/-
Eveready	27/9	27/9
Pinekin Johnson	29/-	28/6
Pekin Syndicate	1/9	1/9

NEW MAMAK SECRETARY

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A prominent newcomer to the Club 1st XI was H. W. Lee, the late Pembroke College goal-keeper, who has replaced G. Duncan between the sticks. He came to the Colony with a reputation as a defender and on the few appearances he has made has proved himself one of the best, if not the best, goal-keeper playing in local hockey.

OTHER new members who have played with the first are A. T. Lay, on the left wing, A. E. P. Guest, the St. Andrew's centre-forward, and W. E. Williams. Lay played sparkling hockey in the opening game but of late has failed to impress. He is inclined to be slow at seizing opportunities and through faulty stick work has not given his inside men the support he should. W. E. Williams is a former Welsh International, and until recently was very useful when in possession. This fault has rectified to the betterment of the Club attack. Guest has only taken his place with the 1st XI on three occasions and although he has scored twice, appears to find the pace too fast for him. He has not yet reached the standard of hockey played by the Club.

H. Owen Hughes has just returned from Home leave and will probably be seen in action on Wednesday next when the Club will be opposed to the Navy. This game should be of especial interest in view of the fact that the two teams will probably be the same as will represent the Club and Navy in the Sim Shield competition which commences in February.

SOME keenly contested matches should be seen during the weekend in the Mamak tournament. On Saturday the Police will be opposed to the University and the chances of victory are about even. On Sunday the Indians twice take the field their opponents being the Royal Signals on the Marina ground in the morning and the Medway at Causeway Bay during the afternoon. The Indians have not yet conceded a point in the league and I shall be very much surprised if they have a reverse during the week-end. The Signals may hold them to a draw but they should gain a winning two clear goals against the Medway, unless the Sailors spring another surprise as often wont.



NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S MARKET IRREGULAR

According to Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Frits, the New York market was irregular yesterday. Business done: £140,000 shares. The Wall Street Journal reports: The market declined early during the day but closed irregularly lower owing to Coolidge's death and his connection as Chairman of the National Transportation Committee for Investigating Railroads which is due to issue a report shortly. Brokers' loans are unchanged.

Dow-Jones averages:

	Jan. 4.	Jan. 5.
30 Industrials	62.35	62.25
20 Rails	26.99	26.05
20 Utilities	28.49	28.27
40 Bonds	78.35	70.11
American Can	57 1/2	58 1/2
American Smelting & Ref.	13 1/2	13 1/2
American Tobacco	107 1/2	107 1/2
"B"	50 1/2	50 1/2
Anaconda Copper	8 1/2	8 1/2
Auburn	53 1/2	53 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	16	15 1/2
Borden Company	25	24 1/2
Canadian Pacific	14 1/2	14 1/2
Railway	14 1/2	14 1/2
Chase National Bank	36	36
Chrysler	17 1/2	16 1/2
Consolidated Gas of N.Y.	61	60 1/2
Drugs Inc.	37	36 1/2
Du Pont de Nemours	39 1/2	38 1/2
Eastman Kodak	67	66 1/2
Electric Bond & Share	20 1/2	19 1/2
General Electric	16 1/2	16 1/2
General Foods	20 1/2	20 1/2
General Motors	14 1/2	13 1/2
Gillette Safety Razor	10	10 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	15 1/2	15 1/2
International Harvester	22 1/2	22 1/2
International Nickel	8 1/2	8 1/2
International Tel. & Tel.	7 1/2	7 1/2
Packard Motor	31	30 1/2
Pennsylvania	15 1/2	15 1/2
Radio Corporation	5 1/2	5 1/2
Sears Roe buck	20 1/2	20 1/2
Shell Union	5 1/2	5 1/2
Socoye Vacuum Corporation	7 1/2	7 1/2
Standard Oil Co. of N.J.	31	31
Texas Corporation	13 1/2	13 1/2
Union Carbide & Carbon	27	26 1/2
Union Pacific Trans.	73 1/2	73
United Aircraft & Trans.	27 1/2	26 1/2
U.S. Rubber	47 1/2	45 1/2
U.S. Steel	29 1/2	29 1/2
Westinghouse E. & M.	29 1/2	30 1/2
Woolworth	36 1/2	36 1/2

HOCKEY

St. Andrew's Ladies gained yet another victory yesterday when they defeated the Y.M.C.A. Ladies in a friendly game on the Diocesan Girls' School ground by five goals to nil. The scorers for the winners were Miss M. Woolley (3), Miss M. Bryson and Miss P. Gillett.

A 14-year-old lad was sentenced to 12 strokes of the birch by Mr. Butters at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for snatching a bangle from the wrist of an eleven-months-old baby. He said he was driven to the act by hunger. It was stated by Acting Sub-Inspector Tuckett that the defendant had no relatives in Hongkong, whereupon his Worship ordered him to be handed over to the S.C.A. after being birched.



LONDON STOCK PRICES

YESTERDAY'S MARKET IRREGULAR

According to Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Frits in conjunction with Reuter. Gilt-edged securities were weak yesterday. Otherwise the markets were generally quietly firmer.

Jan. 4. Jan. 5.

	Jan. 4.	Jan. 5.
30 Industrials	62.35	62.25
20 Rails	26.99	26.05
20 Utilities	28.49	28.27
40 Bonds	78.35	70.11
American Can	57 1/2	58 1/2
American Smelting & Ref.	13 1/2	13 1/2
American Tobacco	107 1/2	107 1/2
"B"	50 1/2	50 1/2
Anaconda Copper	8 1/2	8 1/2
Auburn	53 1/2	53 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	16	15 1/2
Borden Company	25	24 1/2
Canadian Pacific	14 1/2	14 1/2
Railway	14 1/2	14 1/2
Chase National Bank	36	36
Chrysler	17 1/2	16 1/2
Consolidated Gas of N.Y.	61	60 1/2
Drugs Inc.	37	36 1/2
DuPont de Nemours	39 1/2	38 1/2
Eastman Kodak	67	66 1/2
Electric Bond & Share	20 1/2	19 1/2
General Electric	16 1/2	16 1/2
General Foods	20 1/2	20 1/2
General Motors	14 1/2	13 1/2
Gillette Safety Razor	10	10 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	15 1/2	15 1/2
International Harvester	22 1/2	22 1/2
International Nickel	8 1/2	8 1/2
International Tel. & Tel.	7 1/2	7 1/2
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 Bombay via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.
 Tango Maru Wed. 11th Jan.
 *Hakodate Maru Sun. 16th Jan.
 South America (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.
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CINEMA SCREENINGS

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES

If you thought "Caught Plastered" and "The Cuckoo" were good vehicles for the comedy favourites, Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey, (and of course Dorothy Lea) you should see "Peach O'Reno" which is showing at the Central to-morrow. In "Peach O'Reno" the comedians, and the producers, RKO-Radio Pictures, have done a difficult thing. They have topped a long succession of comedy miseries by a wide margin. "Peach O'Reno" will probably stand long as the funniest picture Wheeler and Woolsey have produced. One excellent reason for it is the superlative supporting cast, which contains such favourites as Joseph Cawthorn, Zelma O'Neal, and Cora Witherspoon and Bitchell Harris of the stage fame, Sam Hardy and Arthur Hoyt. All top-flight comedians, they have distinct characters—unusual in comedies and every one of them is at his best. As the title suggests, "Peach O'Reno" is a riotous take-off on life in Reno to-day. It mingle enough realism with its fun to give one a pretty good picture of America's wide-open town and it covers the territory from railroad station to hotel to lawyers' offices to courtroom, with plenty of night-life of divorcees, divorcees, about-to-be-divorcees and hangovers-on.

"The Trial of Vivienne Ward".

Before she ever gave consideration to becoming a motion picture star, Joan Bennett made her stage debut in New York in "Jarnegan" in which her distinguished father, Richard Bennett, played the leading role. There may have been something significant in the fact that in "Jarnegan" she played the role of young picture star. Miss Bennett accepted the role in her father's play without any previous dramatic training, but the tradition of heredity was maintained. Following her first performance, she became an overnight sensation and won the united acclaim of the New York critics. She is under contract to Fox Films and her latest picture is "The Trial of Vivienne Ward", the murder mystery drama, coming to the King's Theatre on Sunday next. She appears as the rich society girl tried on a charge of murdering her former sweetheart. A noteworthy cast, enacting the supporting roles, includes Donald Cook, Alan Dinehart, Lillian Bond, Skeet, Gallagher, Zazu Pitts, Ruth Selwyn, Herbert Mundin, William Pawley, Minnie Eubane, Noel Madison, Howard Phillips, Christian Rub and J. Maurice Sullivan. William K. Howard directed.

New Joe E. Brown Picture.

"Fireman, Save my Child", Joe E. Brown's comedy for First National pictures, which comes to the Queen's Theatre on Sunday, has one of the most important casts ever seen in a Brown picture. Supporting Brown in the leading feminine roles are Evelyn Knapp, as the home town girl, and Lillian Bond, as the blonde adventuress. This is Miss Knapp's second role since the severe injury which confined her to Hollywood Hospital for several months. The acting roster and the parts played by the cast read as follows: "Smoky" Joe Grant, assistant fire chief and local baseball hero, Joe E. Brown; Sally, Evelyn Knapp; Mascot, George Emset; Fire chief, George Mac Farlane; Larkin, Ben Hendricks, Jr.; Dan Toby, Richard Carlisle; Mr. Platt, Walter Walker; baseball players, George Meeker; Andy Devine, Frank Shallenbach.

"Bought" at the Queen's!

Though Constance Bennett, star of Warner Bros. "Bought", to be noted for the ease and sophistication of her screen portrayals, she has a dread of the stage. She says she has the vaguely uncomfortable feeling of seeing herself as others see her, even when looking at one of her finished pictures. Strangely enough, the daughter of Richard Bennett, noted for his ability to appear in public, not only on the stage, but on any occasion where impromptu speech-making is in order, is extremely diffident about personal appearances. Her mother was desirous that none of her three daughters, Barbara, Joan or Constance, should have anything to do with the theatrical world. Constance was educated with a social career in view. Abandoning a life of ease for the strenuous life of the talkies, she has led her father and sister into the screen world. Richard Bennett supports his daughter Constance for the first time in "Bought". Others featured in support of Constance Bennett are Ben Lyon, Dorothy Peterson, Raymond Milland, Arthur Stuart

"Madame Racketeer".

Under contract to Paramount, Alison Skipworth appears in her most important role in the talkies. Co-starring with Richard Bennett, she plays the title role in "Madame Racketeer", which is now showing at the King's Theatre. Proud of her stage career, Miss Skipworth treasures memories of long friendships with such noted figures of the theatre as Sir Henry Irving, Ethelred Terry, Daniel Frohman and Eva Le Galliene. Miss Skipworth was born in London, and was with the Frohman management for many years, appearing in more than 100 plays with the leading stars of the period.

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To make an original three bid you must have a suit which does not call for any support from partner. If you have a two suit hand, the first suit named must contain at least six cards. The hand must also contain a suit which lacks an ace—in other words, it cannot be made on a hand containing all four aces.

In making an original three bid, you are making a demand upon partner that he show you his aces regardless of the length and strength of the suit.

When his hand contains two or more aces, he should name first the ace of trump if he holds it. Not holding the ace of trump, he should name his highest ranking ace. Supposing you held the following hand:

Spades—A
Hearts—K-Q-J-10-x-x
Diamonds—K-Q-J-10-x-x
Clubs—None

Your proper opening bid is three hearts. Supposing partner were to respond with four clubs—this would show the ace of clubs. At the same time he would deny holding either the ace of diamonds or the ace of hearts, because he would have showed it first—and the same if he held the ace of diamonds, as both would outrank the ace of clubs.

Knowing that partner holds neither the ace of hearts nor the ace of diamonds, you would immediately surrender any slam hopes that you had and would sign off the hands with a bid of four hearts; while if partner responded by showing the ace of diamonds by a bid of four diamonds, you would now know that there was a positive small slam, and that the grand slam was impossible due to the fact that he had denied the ace of hearts.

Even though partner's hand does not contain an ace, he may not pass an original three bid. His response in this case would be three no trump.

You can see, from the strength required for both the original forcing two and the original forcing three bids, that they are bids seldom used in contract. However, when used, they do produce accurate results.

Don't abuse forcing bids. Learn to co-operate with your partner by opening the bidding as low as possible. Remember that your partner will keep the bidding open on the slightest pretext.

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CARTHAGE	14,000	28th Jan. Bombay, M'les & L'don	
BUNDWAN	6,500	4th Feb. M'les, Havre, L'don, H'burg	
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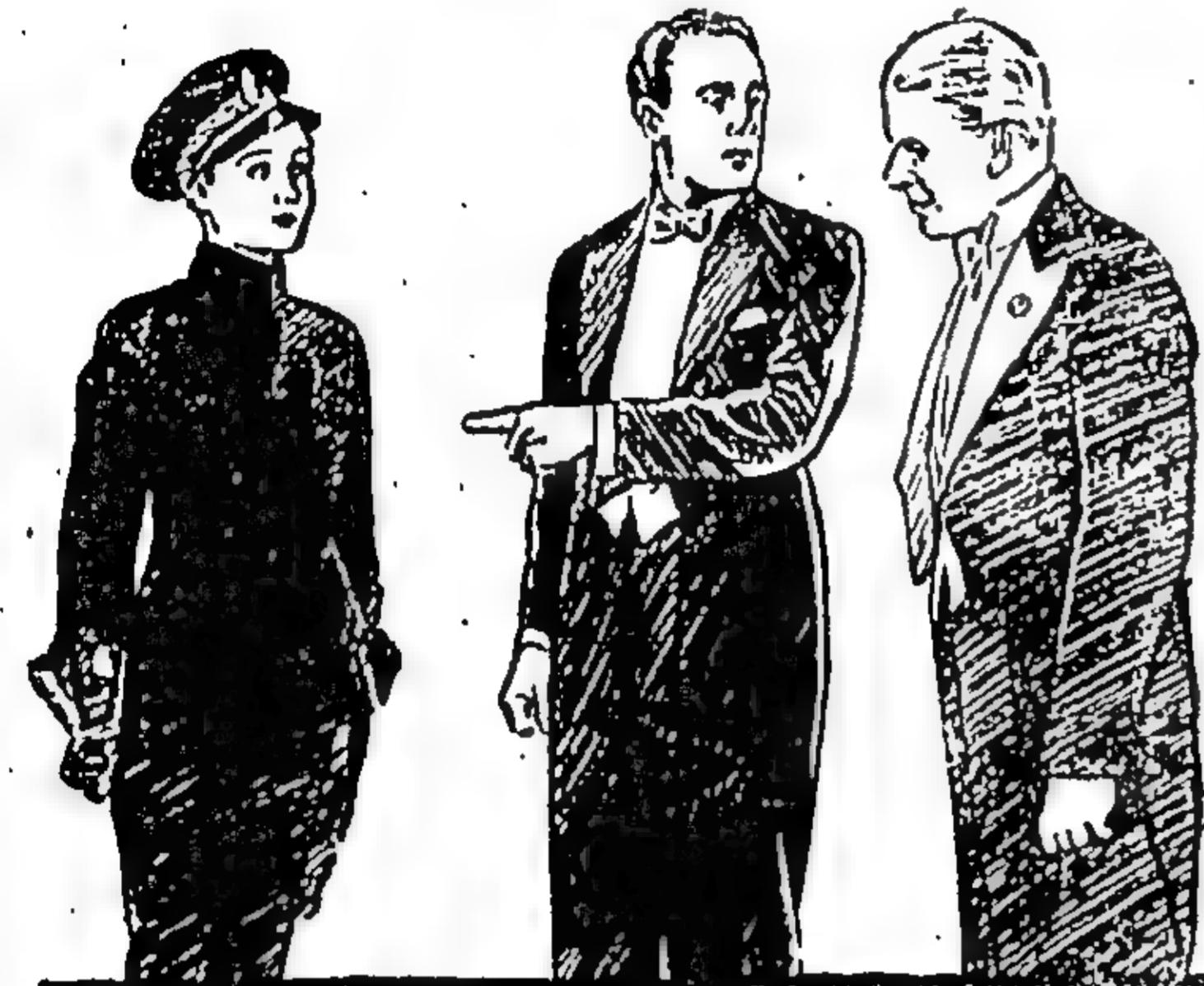
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WELFARE WORK

REVIEW OF LEAGUE OF NATIONS' ACTIVITIES

London, Jan. 5. The welfare work of the League of Nations is the subject of an article in to-day's *Manchester Guardian*, which remarked that over most parts of the world its health organisation is fighting disease, and commissions are at work studying the cause and advising remedies for such dread plagues as small pox, cancer, malaria and sleepy sickness.

In the Far East, the Bureau at Singapore is collecting news of epidemic outbreaks from three continents and warning ports and shipping regarding preventive methods. The year 1932 saw further steps on the road to the ideal of the complete abolition of opium prohibition except for medical or scientific purposes. One of the triumphs of 1932 was the acceptance by the League of the British proposals for the suppression of slavery throughout the world. The League had also continued its work for the alleviation of the suffering of refugees—work which will always be associated with the name of Nansen.

During the past year, the convention for establishing an international relief union has come into force.—British Wireless.

BLAZING LINER

DRIFTING TOWARDS COAST

London, Jan. 5. Surrounded by eight tugs, the burning liner *Atlantique* is six miles from Portland Bill, slowly drifting to the English Coast, watched by crowds from the cliffs. Tugs endeavouring to take her into tow have been driven off by the tremendous heat and dense smoke.

France is perturbed at the loss of the liner. It will be recalled that after a searching inquiry into the Georges Phillippe disaster the findings were not revealed.

Neither Capt. Schoofs nor the Chief Officer of the *Atlantique* will say more than "We cannot explain it, but the way the fire spread was amazing."

The inquiry has opened at Cherbourg.

CHAN SIK-NIN CASE

WITNESS ON HIS RELATIONS WITH DEFENDANT

London, Jan. 5. Chan Cho, the principal witness in the case in which Chan Sik-nin, well-known Hongkong merchant, is charged with unlawfully seizing a business and assets amounting to over a lakh, by means of an allegedly forged power-of-attorney, resumed his evidence in cross-examination by the defence before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Hin-shing Lo, instructed by Mr. Peter Sin, is for the prosecution, and Mr. F. X. D'Almada, Snr.

Correspondence between the parties was produced, leading to further disagreement between opposing Counsel as to the correctness of the translations. Replying to Mr. D'Almada, witness said that in all letters to the defendant he asked the latter to raise funds for the King Fook Wo, this not because he treated the defendant as a partner but as an agent or attorney of the real partners, and as one who had full control and management of the business by virtue of that power-of-attorney. "I had to raise these funds myself whenever needed, when I was in the same position."

Mr. D'Almada: "When you were in control you embezzled \$125,000?" Witness admitted that was the case, he having spent that amount in the course of business.

Mr. D'Almada's further questions returned to the point that the defendant was in reality a partner of the firm. This was denied by the witness, who said that his view up till now in that regard was unshaken.

The further hearing was adjourned until Monday.

TURKISH RAILWAYS

COPPER MINE AREA DEVELOPMENT

London, Jan. 5. The Turkish Government has decided to raise an internal loan of \$12,000,000 to build a railway from Diabekr to Arghana, to tap an important copper mining area which hitherto been undeveloped owing to lack of communications.—Our Own Correspondent.

AMY HONoured

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London, Jan. 5. Mrs. Amy Mollison was a guest at a dinner in her honour by the Women's Automobile and Sports Association last night. Viscountess Elibank was in the chair. Many famous men and women aviators and others interested in flying attended. The Prince of Wales in a telegram of congratulation, remarked on her pluck and endurance on the South African flight, which had won universal admiration.

The Director of Civil Aviation, Colonel Shermardine, emphasised the danger of her proposed North Atlantic flight which could serve no good purpose unless it was undertaken with a view to establishing a regular air service. Some time must elapse before any such service could be established and he hoped meanwhile people would not recklessly hazard their lives.—British Wireless.

ATTACK IN PRISON

DEFENDANT COMMITTED FOR TRIAL

Two privates from the South Wales Borderers, who are at present serving long sentences for burglary, appeared in Court yesterday as witnesses of an armed assault which took place in the Victoria Gaol on December 7 last.

The accused, Tse Kau, was charged with maliciously wounding Tam Tak, with intent to maim him. European Warders G. Grover, J. Johnson and Walter Collins, and the two privates of the South Wales Borderers, as well as two Indian warders, gave short evidence.

One of the soldiers, named Hurns, said he saw the defendant striking Tam Tak, and rushed to the latter's assistance. His grip caused the defendant to drop the axe and there was no further trouble.

The accused offered no defence, and was committed to stand his trial at the next sitting of the Criminal Court.

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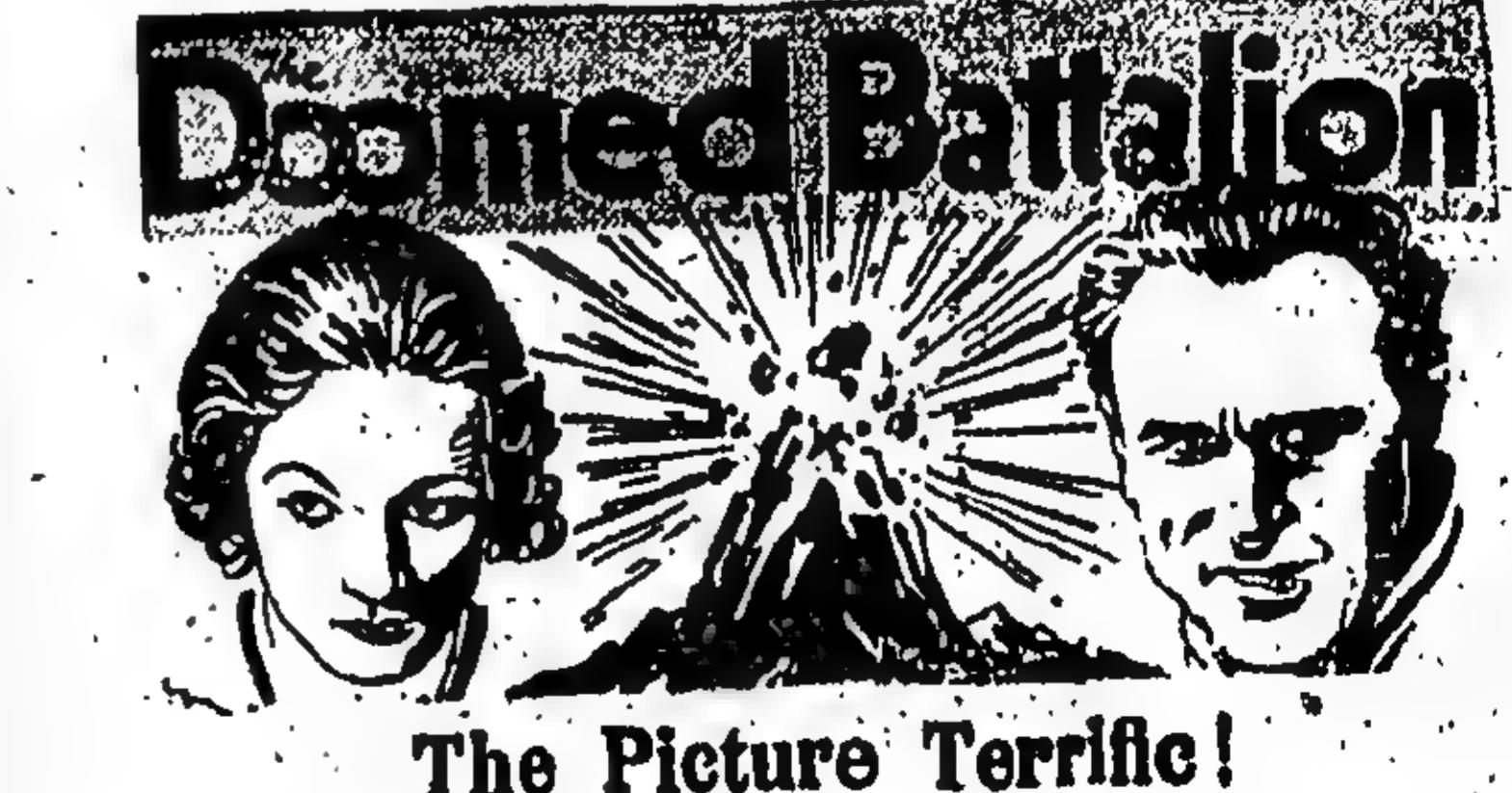
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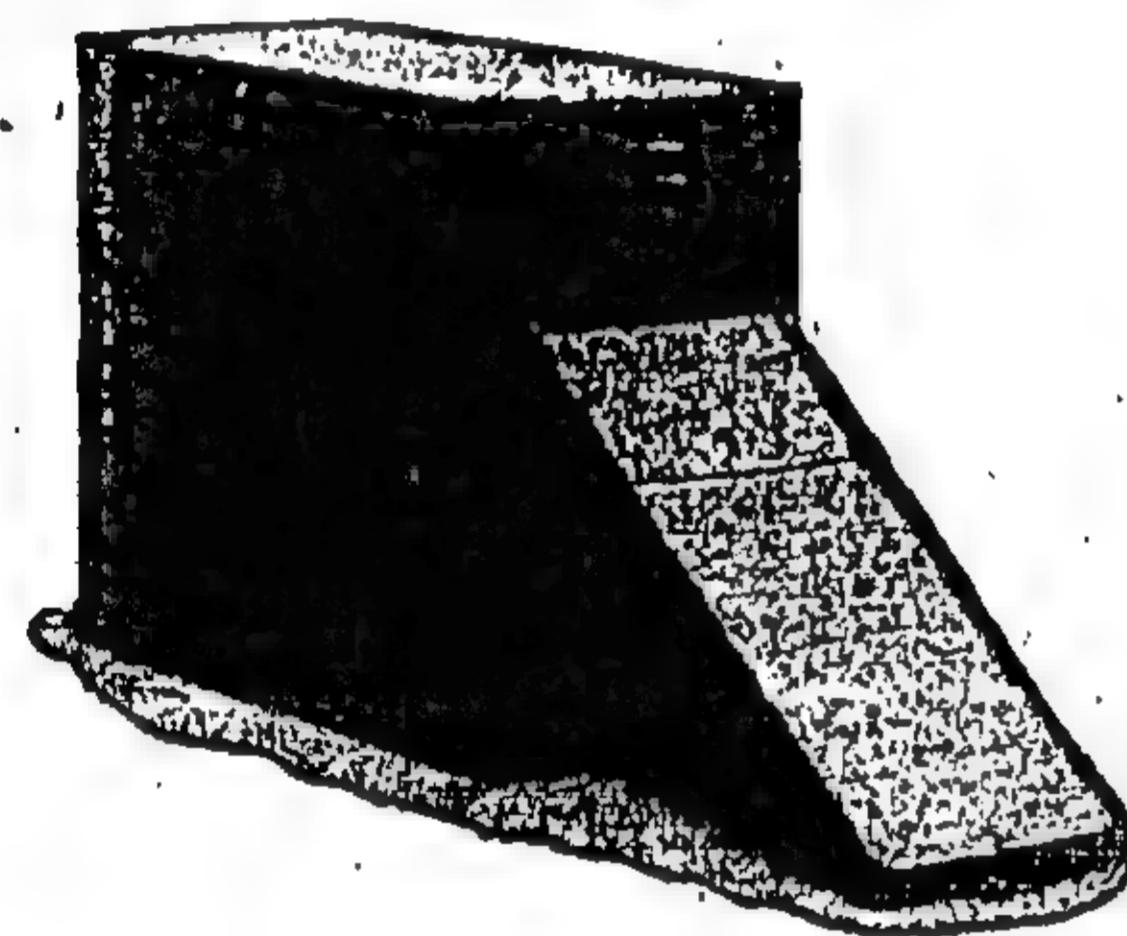
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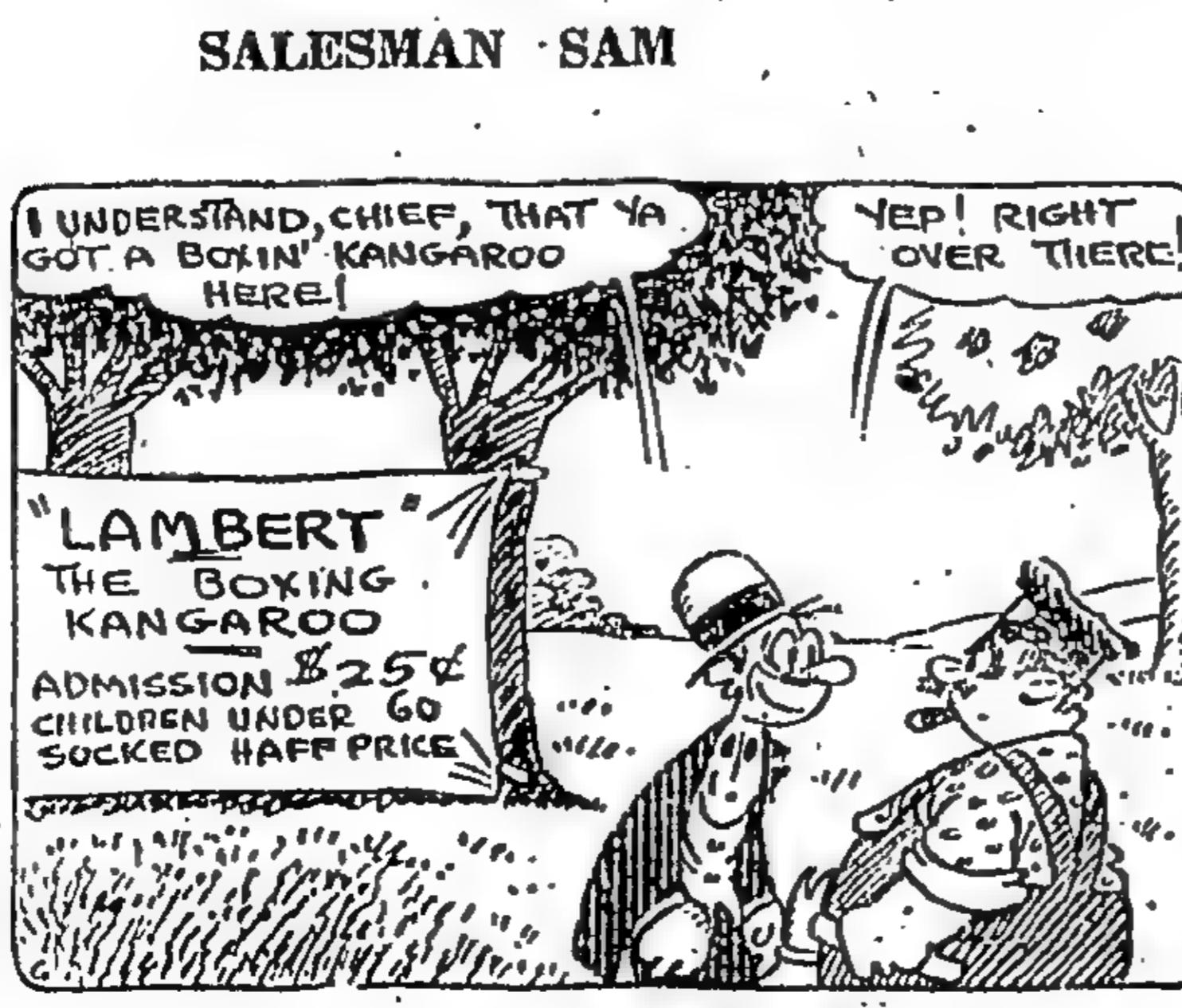
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PRACTICAL RECIPES.

Tongue Squares.

Two ounces of grated cooked tongue, six squares of bread, 1 ounce grated cheese, a little salt and cayenne.

Fry the squares of bread, and sprinkle some grated cheese on each. Season with cayenne and salt, and on each place a thin heap of grated tongue. Serve at once, very hot.

Coffee Scones

One large tablespoonful of coffee essence, 1 lb. flour, 1 teaspoonful each salt and baking powder, 2 beaten eggs, 1 gill of hot water.

Dissolve the coffee essence in the hot water, and when cold mix it with eggs.

Now make a dough with the flour, salt, baking powder, and the coffee and eggs.

Knead lightly, roll out to $\frac{1}{4}$ inch; cut into small rounds, prick them over with a darning needle, and bake on a buttered tin for a quarter of an hour, in a moderate oven. Cut open; spread them liberally with butter, and serve hot.

Walnut Toffee

Half a pound brown sugar, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. margarine, 1 small tin condensed milk, 2 ounces of shelled walnuts. Melt the margarine and add sugar and milk. Stir till it comes to boiling point, then boil gently for 20 minutes. It should then be brown. Stir in the (chopped) walnuts, pour into a greased tin, and, when cold, cut into squares.

CUSTARD FOR AN INVALID

One egg, 1 teaspoonful of sugar, $\frac{1}{4}$ pint milk, a little salt. Beat the egg and add it to the milk, sugar, and salt. Mix well until the sugar is melted.

Now quickly butter a large cup, and into it strain the custard. Stand the cup in a pan of hot water, and place this in the oven or on the range, where the water will keep hot without boiling, letting it remain for about 20 minutes—perhaps a little longer.

Take the cup from the pan, and let it stand a minute before turning out. If liked, a little nutmeg may be grated on the top.



By Joan Savoy

Supper dresses are the darlings of the season's crop of clothes. You can wear them anywhere where your hostess says, "Don't dress" but doesn't mean it!

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They are all long, to ankle or floor. They all have some kind of attractive sleeves, more often short than long. They all have the high neckline in front, even when they drop away to a deep V in the back.

You can indulge your preference for red, if you want to. Or you can have one of the new black dresses or a black and white combination or black with a metal cloth top. Of course, there are greens and greens and blues and all kinds of other colour combinations. I merely mention the ones that have the largest number of buyers.

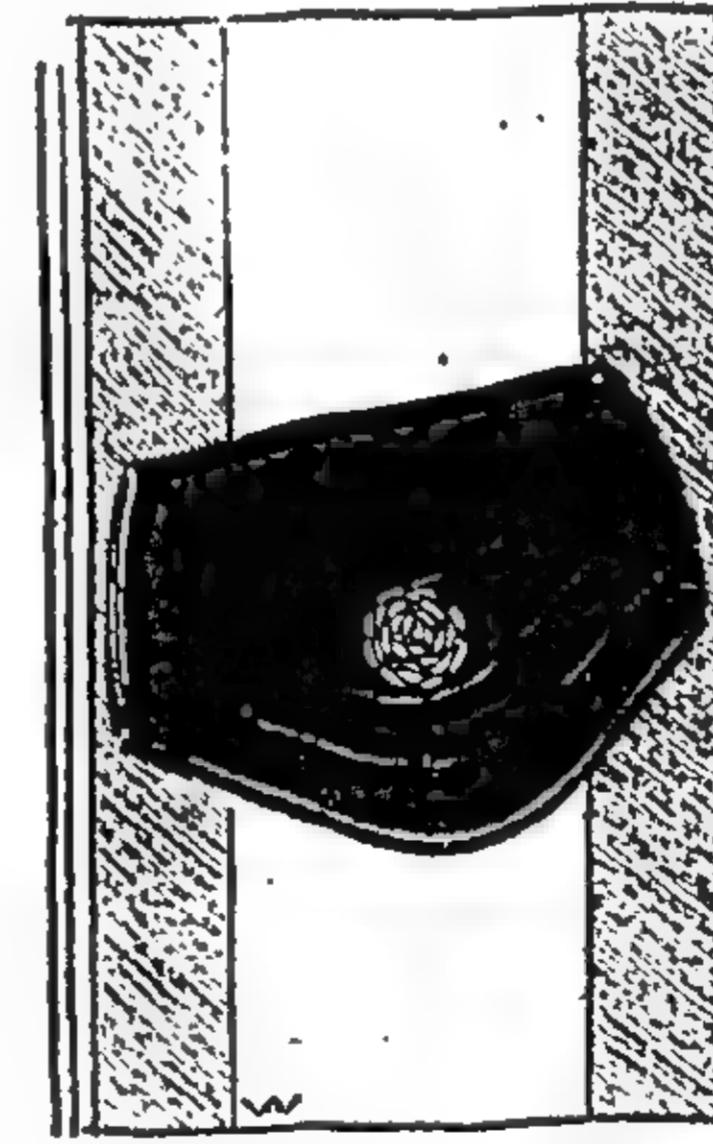
If you want red, a lovely ruby coloured velvet dress (right) is cut on princess lines, with puff sleeves trimmed with just that glitter glamorous things ask, a band of twinkling rhinestones. It has a low-cut square back and a high-cut square front to its neckline. The little belt of the material fastens in the back in a flat bow.

If you prefer a black-white combination, black velvet joins a novelty white lace (left) to make a smart frock. The lace is a very large pattern, all outlined in silver so that it gives the effect of a rich brocade, from a distance. This has simple wide sleeves, and a demure round neck, fastening in the back with a green button, like the two on the peau d'ange belt.

From France, where recorking of wine bottles has to be done so often, comes the following tip for dealing with a cork which has expanded so much that it refuses to return to the bottle.

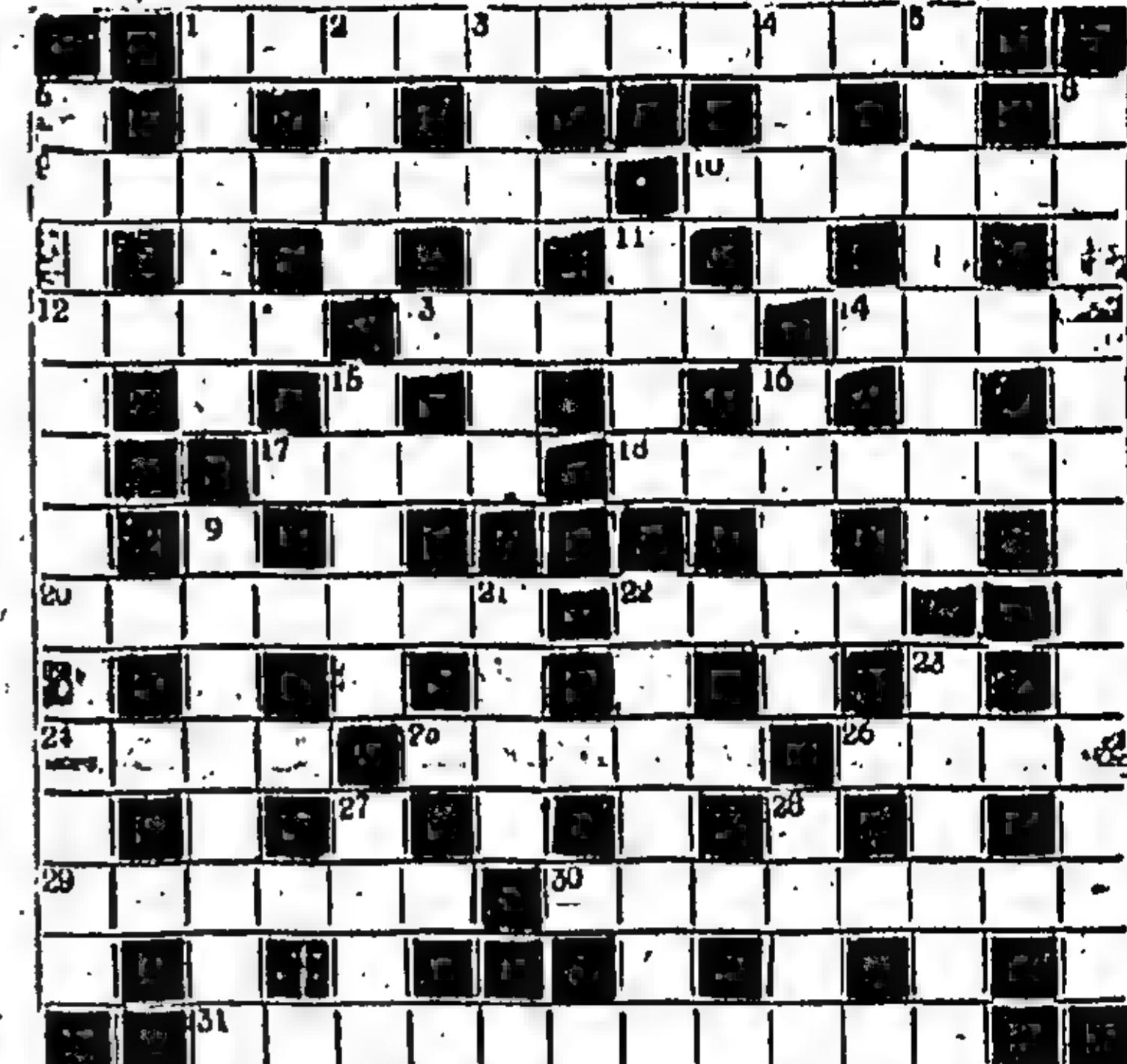
Simply cut a wedge out of the centre of the cork to about half, or rather more, of its length, the wide end of the wedge at the bottom of the cork.

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Linda, realizing her cousin had tried to tell her he was murdered, rushes upstairs to the balcony. Someone steps behind her. Linda turns and sees it is Tom, the man she saw—yet it had a terrible pressing nearness which made her want to scream and run. Anything to break that air of still suspense!

The garage—that was where she had started to go. And in the garage was a man. Just an ordinary, pleasant, well-dressed, well-mannered man. Or rather perhaps not quite ordinary, for genius—if he was a genius—never is that. Certainly Linda Shaughnessy, in both appearance and behaviour, was rather unusual, though on the side of distinction. What was there then about the thought of him that had stopped her as though by an invisible hand? She did not know, but she knew she was physically incapable of forcing herself to step into the roadway, walk across the lawn, and go up that short flight of steps. In fact she could not even face the idea of it.

Tom swinging downstairs with the satisfied air of one who has accomplished what he set out to do, found her sitting on the little hall bench and he did not guess the effort it took her to smile up at him as he stopped before her.

"How did they take it?" she enquired.

"All right—I'll tell you later—upstairs." She nodded as his voice dropped warningly.

"I'll just run over to the garage now and tell Shaughnessy," he went on and the words, so exactly her own thought of the moment before, brought her instantly to her feet.

"Yes—I remember." Instinctively they lowered their voices.

"I told the others to come down whenever they were ready," said Tom. "That you would be down to luncheon but would rest until then in your room."

"Where you will join me—for

our first conference," Linda answered grimly.

"That's the idea."

"I'll go into the kitchen," she said. "I have to break the news to Rosalie and Annie that the house party is still on their hands. I'll go up the back stairs and meet you in our room in five minutes."

"Yes," said Tom, stopping with his hand on the latch of the door.

"Hello, Shaughnessy! Oh, sorry—didn't mean to wake you up! (He could sleep, exhausted, whatever had happened this morning!) I won't be a moment. Just wanted to ask you if you would mind staying on the rest of the day. There's been a little misunderstanding about the accident this morning. Our doctor's a bit apt to go his own way, regardless of the regulations and he shouldn't have permitted the body to be moved so quickly. He okayed our taking it to Port and now that's got us all in dutch. The county medical examiner is away but he's coming back and, just to show he's boss, he's ordered us all to stay until he can go over the ground and go through the proper formalities. He's due around dinner time so if you don't mind—"

At her husband's step in the hall Linda flung open the door eagerly and he was hardly inside and the door closed before she spoke.

"Tom—do any of them seem alarmed by this business about Dr. Boyle? Did you get anything from the way they took it?"

"No. Each one took it differently but all took it well. I blamed poor old Parson pretty heavily and emphasized the fact that it was only a formality. At first Statlander was distinctly disagreeable but that could be laid to his dislike of having his plans upset twice in rapid succession. He was all ready to leave and his room was neat as a pin. If there was any evidence there against him it's gone now. I reminded him we still had a lot of Valleska business to discuss and that appeared to reconcile him. Either he really does want to finish what we're supposed to clean up this week-end or he decided he'd better seem to want to. Marvin—I'm afraid I was pretty short with Marvin. Just told him the facts and let it go at that."

"How did he act?"

"Just the same. He'd be a good one to conceal a guilty secret because he always acts as if he had one, and so gradually you get used to it. When I knocked he opened

the door and blocked it completely. I couldn't see into the room, and somehow I had the idea he didn't want me to. It might have been just my imagination. I—well, it wasn't any too easy for me to be civil and I can't honestly say I noticed much about him. He was stiff and had that air of holding something back, as I remember. In other words, quite himself. Then I went next door to DeVos. He was also quite himself, which meant that he was very pleasant and courteous, assured me he quite understood and that anything that made it easier for us was agreeable to him. He did ask about going off the grounds and I found he had a

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Subdued by tear gas after an outbreak in Wilmington, "hunger marchers" enroute to Washington are shown (top) leaving an old church where they had been quartered. Below is a "field hospital" set up by doctors accompanying the caravan. The women patients were alleged to have been overcome by tear gas during the rioting.



It must be water, police told a hunger marcher with a key at Washington. Police escorted key-bearers to and from the camp to be certain that no spirits reached the marchers.



Unemployment aid was one of the campaign points made by President-elect Franklin D. Roosevelt. Photo shows Mrs. Roosevelt (at right) engaging in active relief work. She helped serve food to unemployed women and children at the Grand Central restaurant in New York.

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PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Monday, the 9th day of January, 1933, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Ma Ta Chung, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 75 years.

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Uprated Price
Kowloon Inland Lot No. 3587.	Tam Kung Brand.	As per sale plan.	feet feet feet	About 9,610	\$110	\$7,238

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No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Annual Rental	Uprated Price
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Chartered Bank, \$13 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. & B.
\$23 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank C, \$3 1/2 n.
East Asia, \$108 n.
Am. O. Finance Corp., \$23 n.
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Caton Ins., \$1000 n.
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China Underwriters, \$2,60 n.
China Fire, \$20 n.

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International Asso., Tls. 4.15 b.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$27 b.

H.K. Steamboats, \$23 n.

Indo-Chinas (Prof.), \$45 n.

Indo-Chinas (Def.), \$32 n.

Shell (Bear), 50/— n.

Union Waterboats, \$20 1/2 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$18 1/2 n.

Kailan, 25/— n.

Langkawi (Single), Tls. 4 n.

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Hongkews, Tls. 225 n.

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Shanghai Docks, Tls. 10 n.

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Hotels (old), \$10.35 n.

Hotels (new), \$10 n.

H.K. Lands, \$70.50 b.

S'hai Lands, Tls. 25 n.

Metropolitan Lands, Tls. 10 n.

Humphreys, \$15 1/2 n.

H.K. Realities, \$8.05 n.

Asia Realities "A", \$140 n.

Asia Realities "B", \$28 n.

Chinese Estates, \$98 b.

China Realities, Tls. 11.40 n.

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Env. Cottons, Tls. 14.45 n.

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Tramway, \$20.60 n.

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Star Ferries, \$36 1/2 n.

Yaumati Ferries, (old), \$34 1/2 n.

Yaumati Ferries (new), \$33.75 n.

China Light (old), \$16 n.

H.K. Electric \$76 n.

Macao Electric \$27 n.

Sandakan Lights, \$12 n.

Telephones (old), \$30 n.

China Buses, Tls. 10 n.

Singapore Traction, 2/- n.

Singapore Pref. 12/- n.

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CINEMA "SHOTS" AND "SEQUENCES"

COURT DRAMA

JOAN BENNETT IN KING'S FILM

If you want to see how the United States deals with a sensational case in its equivalent of the Old Bailey you may do so when *The Trial of Vivienne Ware* comes into the King's programme on Saturday.

You have a rich girl accused of murder, detectives intimidating everyone concerned, bullying barristers, working themselves into a white heat of frenzy, and radio reporters telling the world about it with a total disregard of anything but their own impressions of the moment.

I suppose, as far as the rules and custom are concerned, it is all more or less authentic.

The radio reporter is accommodated in an ante-room where, apparently, he looks through a glass partition so that he may acquaint listeners with any changes in the judicial picture at the moment they occur.

He tells the story with tremendous gusto, giving full rein to his imagination in the description of the prisoner and the witnesses, even speculating on the question whether they are telling the truth or not, and decorating his tale with all the vivid slang at his disposal.



JOE E. Brown—and his mouth—provide the comedy for "Fireman, Save My Child," the Sunday attraction at the Queen's.

By his side is a radio "sob-sister" who talks over the microphone at intervals to inform American home circles how the prisoner and important witnesses are dressed and to deal with other details from the feminine angle.

As Zazu Pitts subdues her infinite mournfulness in this character and as Skeets Gallagher is the male reporter, you may gather how amusing and zestful these ghoulish operations become.

The heroine is played by Joan Bennett, who is quite as pretty and, I think, a little more human than the celebrated Constance, Lillian Bond is a cabaret girl involved in the plot.

Jameson Thomas makes only a passing appearance as the philanderer whose place in the story is to be murdered, whilst the English comedian, Herbert Mundin, who admits his master was "boudoir conscious," has a slightly better chance as his butler.

BRITISH FILMS MAKE PROGRESS

BIG IMPROVEMENT IN PRODUCTION DURING LAST YEAR

GOOD WORK BY AMERICAN STUDIOS IN ENGLAND

"CELLULOID" REVIEWS YEAR'S PICTURES

THE end of a year is generally seized upon as the opportune moment for a review of activities and writers the world over have probably covered everything from ships to sealing wax. Various summaries have appeared in Hongkong but as yet, not a word on cinemas, and mention of the Hollywood motion picture awards last week prompts me to add my quota of retrospection.

A thousand and one films to sift is an undertaking terrifying to contemplate, and that is one of the reasons why this review will be confined to British productions. American films easily outnumber the English output and should probably be given preference, but in the belief that the progress of the Empire product appeals more to the Hongkong cinema goer, while at the same time offering a wider scope of comment, I feel convinced that the precedence will be pardoned.

NO BRITISH AWARDS.

The Hollywood awards to Freddie March and Helen Hayes apparently did not apply to British films, nor even those produced in Britain by American companies and so far no word has been received of a similar prize in Britain. It will be regrettable if nothing is done, and an avenue of valuable propaganda overlooked. It will be argued that the system is entirely valueless, the awards trumpery and depending too much on personal taste, and tending to debasé cinema art. Some of the points must be admitted, but even before the war America realised the value of the star as an advertisement and exploited it—matinee idols and vamps to the full, and if Britain desire to offer serious opposition to Hollywood as a maker of lucrative films rather than artistic productions only, she cannot afford to overlook this means of ballyhoo.

But indications are that Britain is not missing many opportunities and even if she is only emulating Hollywood in the number of film magazines appearing and in other forms of advertisement, it is a point for commendation.

TREMENDOUS STRIDES.

British films during 1932 made tremendous strides; none will deny that. Even on the limited number that was screened here the films we saw during the year were vastly different to the poorly photographed dragging productions that were occasionally brought on for two day runs in 1931. It was a natural evolution; film makers realised they could not go on indefinitely producing the time-worn London plays with their stage casts, even though the artists and situations would appeal to all English colonies, and in their search for material, enlisted the aid of England's most prominent writers to prepare stories straight for the screen. The theatrical side kept pace with the advances, and emulating Hollywood here there, and Germany in photographic, has captured the flickers that seem incomparable from the really successful film.

Any review of British films screened in Hongkong must of necessity be a trifle inaccurate as

regards time, as distribution here has not yet reached the expedition of Hollywood, and although several films were shown here and at London simultaneously, many others were made in 1931 and even 1930 in some cases. The first 1932 production to come was *Sunshine Susie*, which arrived just at the time I was thinking British films would never progress from the photographed-stage-play class. Victor Saville was responsible for the production and he left his unmistakable mark on the Yorkshire drama *Hindle Wakes*, which impressed me as the most outstanding British production of the year. He was the first British producer to exploit the use of synchronised music which marked the more recent films, *Lord Bobb* and *Love on the Spot*, and his next production will be interesting.

U.S. STUDIOS IN ENGLAND.

Probably the most interesting feature of British film production for the year was the establishment in England of American studios, employing English artists with English plays, but with American technicians. The first was *Rescued for Ladies*, produced by Paramount and was followed by *Aren't we All*. *The Outsider* and *The Calandar*. Cynics may say that when Britain produces a good film Americans will make it, but *Sunshine Susie* and more recently, *A Night Like This*, act as a disclaimer.

TO-DAY'S SHOWS

Queen's: "Bought." Central: "Love Contract." King's: "Madam Racketeer." Star: "Bachelor Apartment." Oriental: "Palmy Days." Majestic: "The Doomed Batail-on."

TO MORROW.

Central: "Peach o' Reno." Majestic: "A Night Like This." SUNDAY.

King's: "Trial of Vivienne Ware."

Queen's: "Fireman, save my Child."

Star: "The Man they Couldn't Arrest."

A constant controversy is being waged in England as to whether British films should set Hollywood as the pattern, and follow blindly in its footsteps. Whatever the arguments, the British films of late have been approaching the American in every respect, and there seem to be few complaints. Certainly none will cavil at the Hollywood slickness being developed at Elstree, Twickenham and elsewhere; those dragging hauls in action while the obvious or superfluous happened were among the things that set the early British films back, and the camera tricks and time-saving super-impositions that marked *Life Goes On* and *Hindle Wakes* were pleasing signs.

Britain is gradually constructing a film world of its own with an exclusive band of artists, producers, technicians and writers, and the outlook for 1933 is decidedly promising. With producers like Jack Raymond, Victor Saville and Leslie Hiscott, and artists like Gordon Harker, Jack Buchanan, Belle Chrystal, Winifred Shottter and the Aldwych cast, brighter and better films should come.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS

DOG TRAVELS 1000 MILES BACK TO LOCAL BOY

Limping and exhausted, after a thousand miles of travel, Poodle, a pet dog belonging to Freckles McGoosy, returned home last night. The dog's feet were worn sore by the journey and she barely reached her destination.



FATHER and daughter, Richard and Constance Bennett take important parts in the Queen's film "Bought," now being screened. Ben Lyon is the young hero of the story.

BROAD SATIRE

Wheeler and Woolsey Make Jokes at Reno Divorce

MAD JOE BROWN

COMEDY FILM AT QUEEN'S

INTRODUCING many old friends, jokes, and characters, *Fireman, Save My Child* comes to the Queen's on Sunday. Also an occasional situation. To say nothing of the mainspring of the story.

And if we meet the heroine again in a similar frame of mind in ten years' time, it will still be too soon. She is plain dumb. Either she has a friend in the business, or Mrs. Joe Brown is taking a hand in the casting to keep Joe out of temptation.

The other girl, Lillian Bond, espouse her slightly crossed eye, looks as though she could do something with some material. She has quite a presence. Poor old Joe has only this girl, his mouth, and a fire-bomb to support all the old acquaintances of the picture.

Undoubtedly, the baseball sequences would count for a good deal on the other side, but not here. Joe gets a few laughs. He works his vocal gem to death. Finishes on an intimate touch that appeals, making a crack at the expense of his dividend-paying mouth.

Its virtue evaporates in the voyage across the Atlantic.

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FAR EAST CRISIS REACTIONS

World press comment on the crisis in North China runs along expected lines, with the more liberal-minded journals roundly berating Japan and the conservative papers, if not actually supporting the Japanese activities, inclined to suspend judgment. None the less, there does appear to be a general disposition to recognise the gravity of the situation. In particular, it is widely felt that the problem confronting the League of Nations has been rendered all the more complex and difficult as a consequence of the latest developments. Whatever Japan's explanation for acting as she has deemed fit to do, it would seem that she has not improved her case by resorting, at this stage, to further demonstrations of force. The suspicion persists that she is proceeding according to a well-laid programme, of which her actions in Manchuria were but the prelude. Of immediate importance is the likely reaction of the League to the new turn of events. A fresh battle of words may be expected, with the Chinese and Japanese delegates each denying any responsibility for the Shianhaikwan affair. It seems doubtful, however, whether the League will even now be moved to take any definite action. After many weary months of temporising, it still has to face the original issue as to whether Japan exceeded her rights in Manchuria. Whatever the real explanation may be, there has long been apparent a marked disinclination on the part of the League to pass judgment, despite the fact that its own specially-appointed Commission definitely charged Japan with seizing a large area of indisputably Chinese territory. If there were any prospects of unanimity between the Powers, the situation might be otherwise. French opinion, we note, is that the League should not embark upon any adventure, as this would prove futile in the absence of any force to impose sanctions on Japan. This is an obvious reference to the much-desired French thesis of an international force. But in point of actual fact, if the League has no force of its own, the Covenant does provide the machinery by which such a force could be made available. It is laid down in Article XVI that in the case of a nation against whom sanctions are decided, the Council of the League shall recommend to the Governments concerned what effective military, naval and air forces the members of the League shall severally contribute to the armed force to be used to protect the covenants of the League. This machinery has never yet been brought into use, for the

simple reason that the League has never had occasion to outlaw any country. So far as the present crisis is concerned, of course, there can be no question of the League taking action against Japan until the Council has decided whether or not she has infringed her undertakings. On this point, it seems extremely unlikely that unanimity will be reached. In other words, unless developments occur which literally force the hands of the members, Japan will be able to continue, for all practical purposes, to disregard League opinion.

Von Schleicher

General von Schleicher's recent speeches have not encouraged a profound belief in his tact and discretion; but his emergence as Chancellor was in two respects, at any rate, satisfactory. It put an end to rumours that the aged President had been stalemates by the course of events and no longer knew to whom to turn; and it marks a conditional return, at any rate, to Parliamentary government and the abandonment for the time being of Von Papen's attempts to dispense with it. Whether the new Chancellor can command a majority in the Reichstag remains to be seen. Much depends, doubtless, on the composition of his Cabinet. The inclusion of Baron von Neurath, a man of sense and moderation, who has won just regard both at Geneva and in England, is at least a good omen. But the mood of compromise which the Chancellor has shown does not mean that he intends to administer the country with a loose hand. The contrary must be expected, and neither the Communists, whom he hates, nor Adolf Hitler, whom he is disposed to like, will be allowed to disturb the harmony he proposes to maintain in Germany during the winter months. The reputation of a "strong silent man" which he has hitherto had hardly does justice to his complex personality. He is more at home with politicians than professional soldiers. He has a flexible mind, he is a witty talker. Under his direction Germany should enjoy a repose she has not known for many years.

A Public Servant Retires

The retirement of Sir Malcolm Delvington, who recently left the post of Deputy Permanent Under-Secretary of State at the Home Office after holding it for nineteen busy years, removes from the stage one who has played a big part in international affairs since the war. Sir Malcolm is best known for his work in fighting the international drug menace. Essentially practical in his outlook, he has sought by steady pressure on the conscience of officials throughout the world to draw a net around the drug smuggler through increased international administrative efficiency. The process of tightening the net has seemed slow to some. But it has undoubtedly had good results. Better, perhaps, than would have been achieved had more spectacular methods been adopted before the world was ready for them. Sir Malcolm himself would be the first to admit that much still remains to be done. It is good news that his retirement will not prevent him from continuing to deal with the international side of the anti-drug campaign. Not only his experience, but his whole-hearted devotion to the cause for which he has done so much, are needed at Geneva. There was another side to Sir Malcolm's work which is less widely known. He was largely responsible for drafting the articles of the Treaty of Versailles which form the charter of the International Labour Organisation. The I. L. O. is not very much "in the news." Nevertheless, it plays a big part in moulding the history of these times. By slow degrees, and with much compromise, it is gradually building up a common code of rights for workers throughout the world.

A THOUGHT FOR
TO-DAY

MAKE NO VOWS TO FORBID THIS OR THAT: IT SHOWS NO GREAT STRENGTH, AND MAKES THINGS RIDICULOUS.—Feller.

BOW BELLS

By ROBERT LYND

Many people will be gratified to hear that the town of Tomelloso, in Spain, has put a tax on bell-ringing. For the first nine minutes of ringing the tax will be a shilling: if you are not satisfied, you can go on ringing for 20 minutes for 1s. 6d.; and there are special terms for longer periods.

I have said that many people will be pleased to hear this. I do not approve of such people. They are the sort of people who would like to bring into existence an entirely noiseless world—a world in which the bell of the muslin-man would be silenced and the cry of the lavender-seller forbidden. Such people would, if they could, put silencers on the throats of nightingales. In their ideal world, Schnabel would play Beethoven on a dumb piano, in which all the right notes would be struck without producing a sound.

I cannot blame the anti-bell-ringers too severely, however, for I was once one of them. As a boy I hated bells with an intensity of hatred. I lived near a church the bell-tower of which flung torture into the air, not only on Sundays, but in the week-day practices. Never did I turn round for a little more slumber on Sunday morning but a tumbol of malevolent demons of sound issued from that tower, compelling me to rise and hasten to a more distant church in order to escape them.

Never did I choose an evening on which to say to myself, "Now I must do some work," but, as soon as I opened my Julius Caesar, the bells would choose the particular occasion to send forth a host of impish tormentors to make work impossible. My masters would never believe me when they asked me why I had come unprepared and I explained that I had been worried by church-bells; but there was a grain of truth in the explanation.

Even then, however, I had a curious sentimental tenderness for bells that were rung elsewhere than in my own city. I liked the bells in poetry. I liked the notion of a bell ringing from a village church across a valley on a peaceful Sunday evening. If wireless had existed at the time, I should probably have listened with romantic appreciation to bells from all over Europe.

I even thought it must be romantic to hear the bell of Big Ben striking midnight, and on my last night in London I sat in my bed room in Vauxhall Bridge road and, when Big Ben struck twelve, did my best to feel romantic. I confess I was as much disappointed in Big Ben as Oscar Wilde was in the Atlantic Ocean. Twelve, I thought, was too many. I still think so when I hear those colossal bongs over the wireless.

How I was Converted

What it was that ultimately converted me, if not to the love, at least to the toleration, of bells, I am not quite certain. I think it must have been a meeting with a real bell-ringer. Some of my friends during my boyhood had been bell-ringers, but I always took it for granted that they enjoyed annoying their neighbours. There was no mystic light in their eyes when they spoke of their hobby. Bell-ringing, so far as they were concerned, seemed to be merely an alternative to knocker-wrenching.

Years afterwards, however, I

have looked perfectly horrible to anybody who hated the sound of bells. Yet, even if they broke a record, I doubt whether theirfeat would sell out a single edition of an evening paper. Never before had I seen such simple-minded devotion, such total immersion in the love of the game. Since meeting my little friend, I have never listened to a peal of bells without feeling that, whatever the effect on my own nerves may be, it is making some body else tremendously happy. One has no more right to object to the noise than to object to the roaring of the crowd at a Cup Final. It is the enthusiasm, that matters, and so long as men of such selfless enthusiasm as the bellringers survive, there is hope for civilisation.

If the world is going to tax enthusiasm, it is a bad look-out for the world.

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"What'll my excuse be? I can't just tell the board of directors that my wife has decided against the merger!"

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BARRACKING BALLADS

By Edward Kelly, Father of XL

Protests, we are given to understand, are being voiced regarding the barracking proclivities of the Australians.

(Barracking.—From the Greek. Barr—drinking resort;—racking, as in wrack and ruin;—Kerr, A Scottish gentleman who has been ruined by drink).

As sportsmen, we are inclined to deplore all the fuss about barracking. We agree with Mr. Gilligan. It's how you take your barracking that counts.

What a time we had when we played with the Test team in eightynine.

We often had things thrown at us. We were hit on the head by a beer bottle at Sydney.

Since then we have not, been what we were—in fact we never were. We attribute our remarkable success as a journalist to this incident.

On another occasion someone in the gallery cooled a mad dog on to us just after we had completed our first century. We finished our next 100 in even time but the dog caught us.

Fortunately for the Hongkong public we recovered from the bite. The dog, however, died.

The Australians, sir, take their cricket seriously, sir. They swarm out to the cricket ground on horseback, on foot, in sulkihs, in buggies, in carts, cars, trucks, vans, rickshaws, wagons, lorries, traps, coaches, cabs, omnibuses . . . don't interrupt, Sir, I've got the measure of those bowlers . . . barrows, phaetons, droshiks, velocipedes, bicycles, tricycles, quadrapeds, ambulances, perambulators . . . won't be long now, sir . . . tumtum, toboggans, scooters, billy-carts and pantechnicons, Sir.

Quivering like an aspen we took the stand. We remember it as if it was only yesterday.

We blocked the first. We ducked the second. We dribbled the third back to the bowler. The fourth was a No Ball. We put our body in front of the fifth and survived the appeal. We swiped at the sixth and missed it.

"Hey," yelled someone in the Grand Stand. "What's your thinking doing? Playing a game?"

Yes, Sir, the Australians take their cricket seriously.

HOWL (ERS).

We are still disarming but so far only on paper. Each of the great powers has scrapped one schedule and agreed to internationalise a formula. Reserves (of stationery) are to be demobilised, but this will take some time.

Sir John Simon (this is confidential) scored a great personal triumph.

The League of Nations is invading Manchuria, under General Wellington Koo. This is what they call a Koo d'Ent. It inaugurates a Peace to end Peaces.

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FERRY FOOLISH.

What is a flirt, you ask? (I didn't!) Shut up! You did! We've got to work this in some way.

A Flirt is a Fickle Female who Ferry Foolishly Fiddles with a Fellow's First Fond Fancies, Fans the Festering Fires of Poly, Finally Followed by Felicitous Philosophy Far From Funny to the Foolish Flanderer. But if her Former Fine Feelings be Firmly Freed From the Fast Frowns and Fetters of Frivolity, Flit Feeding will be Furnished For the Fortunate Favourite. "The 'P' is silent as in Philly.

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ANSWER TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Rhoda (Kowloon Tong): No, dear, spats with evening dress are quite wrong. You should write to Percy a little note telling him you have made a mistake and saying you are sorry. Men are "kittie-kat" you know and very "sensitive" to criticism.

Eva (The Peak): Oh dear, we are afraid it was one of Edward Kelly's "clever" jokes. Between ourselves, we think it just the wee-est bit doubtful in taste. We don't mean that the humour is not gentlemanly, of course, but it does look as though Mr. Kelly thought the association of intelligence and the Peak to be funny.

J.K.W. (1) Sorry your goldfish are a trifle off colour. You are unlucky. You are, of course, lucky to have a real expert to refer to. Have you tried just a few spots of brandy in their water? Rum is also pretty good. It should be warmed and the fish compelled to swallow it in one gulp. Or if (like us) they don't indulge, try an aspirin. (2) A hair of the dog, my boy, but don't take that too literally or liberally.

SUDDEN DEATH OF MR. COOLIDGE

THIRTIETH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRAGIC HOME-COMING OF MRS. COOLIDGE

New York, Jan. 5. Mr. Calvin Coolidge, President Hoover's predecessor in office, was found dead at his home at Northampton, Massachusetts, to-day, the suddenness of his demise causing a profound shock throughout the United States.

Not even his wife was aware that the ex-President was in any danger. Death is believed to have been due to heart disease. Mr. Coolidge had complained of severe bouts of indigestion in the past few weeks, but had not consulted a doctor.

The discovery was made by his wife, who returned from her shopping and went into his room on learning that, having gone to his office as usual, he had returned home complaining of feeling unwell. He had apparently died only fifteen minutes before. He was sixty years of age.

NOTABLE CAREER IN RETROSPECT

The funeral will take place at Northampton on Saturday morning. They body will then be conveyed to Plymouth, Vermont, where he will be buried in the afternoon.

HARD TOIL. Mr. Calvin Coolidge was born at Plymouth, Vermont, on July 4, 1872, as the son of a farmer who kept the village store. He was familiar from boyhood with hard toil and poverty. After graduating at Amherst in 1895 he won a scholarship, studied law and began in 1897 to practise at Northampton, Mass., where he became president of a bank and mayor. He married a school teacher, Grace Goodhue, and worked incessantly, allowing himself no time for recreation.

In 1907, he was elected to the State Legislature. From 1912 to 1916 he was a member of the Massachusetts Senate and from 1916 to 1918 its President. Lieutenant Governor of the State from 1916 to 1918, he was Governor from 1918 to 1921.

POLICY OF SILENCE.

During all his election campaigns—even that for the Presidency—he pursued a policy of silence. His name became known all over the U.S. in the manner in which he suppressed the Boston police strike in the autumn of 1919.

In the same year when the telephone operators struck, he proposed that the State should take over the lines, but this was not necessary, as the strike was soon over. He was not, however, opposed to Labour, as was shown by his support of a bill limiting the scope of the injunctions against strikers. On the ground that their livelihood were not a means of livelihood he vetoed a bill to increase the salaries of members of the Massachusetts Legislature. In 1921 he vetoed a bill for the censorship of films and another to permit the sale of "2.75 per cent." beer, pointing out that it contravened the Federal law.

HARDING'S DEATH.

In 1920, at the Republican National Convention he received a few votes for the Presidency in all the ballots. In the voting for Vice-President he was easily first and was duly nominated. The Presidential elections he was returned with Harding by a huge majority. An innovation introduced by the latter gave Coolidge a seat in the Cabinet. Hitherto the Vice-President had been of no importance.

When, in August, 1923, President Harding died, Mr. Coolidge automatically became President. He received the oath from the lips of his aged father in the farm cottage by lamplight. During the 19 months remaining of Harding's term of office, Coolidge continued his policy. His task was not rendered any easier by the oil scandal, but he surmounted all his difficulties so that in the summer of 1924 he was chosen Republican candidate for the next Presidential term (March 1925-8) and on Nov. 4, 1924, was elected by a large majority. Just before his election he was on holiday at his father's farm and cynics declared that it was on the advice of his publicity agent that he pitched hay in a smoke, talked crops with the farmers and read by the light of an oil lamp when electricity could easily have been supplied—these picturesque happenings being duly recorded by the press.



The late Mr. Coolidge.

Fact. His proposal to hold a disarmament conference was, however, forestalled by the League, but he agreed to the U.S. participating in the rival conference which was held in 1927 and ended in a deadlock.

NAVAL BUILDING.

The sequel was a huge U.S. naval construction programme, but it met with great hostility in all parts of the country and was gradually cut down to 15 light cruisers and one aircraft-carrier. Even this proposal was rejected by the Senate in May, 1928, against the wish of Mr. Coolidge, who was equally opposed to extremes of militarism or pacifism. When the Senate made reservations regarding American participation in the World Court, he said he would take no further action in the matter, but two years later in Nov. 1928, he expressed his desire that an attempt should be made to devise a formula which would enable the U.S. to join.

He was opposed to the anti-Japanese decision of the Senate, with which he also had a brush over the nomination of C. B. Warren as Attorney-General. He twice refused to confirm the appointment with the result that he had to nominate J. G. Sargent, who was accepted.

HOME POLICY.

Coolidge's home policy was one of economy and he was against the soldiers' bonus. He was in favour of Prohibition and believed that the reinforced tariff had brought an era of more than average prosperity to the country, but this prosperity did not last long. Owing to the troubles in Nicaragua he sent Marines there in 1927 to protect American lives and property and they remained in the country till 1931. At the Pan-American Congress at Havana in Jan. 1928, he strove to allay the suspicions of the Latin States by declaring that the sovereignty of small countries would be respected.

DECLINES SECOND TERM.

As early as Aug. 1927, he stated that he would not stand again for

BURGLARY AT THE PEAK

BANK MANAGER VICTIMISED

For the second time within the space of a few months a burglary has occurred at the residence of Mr. W. J. Waddington, Manager of the P. and O. Bank, at his residence, No. 519, The Peak, Magazine Gap.

A report of the occurrence has been made to the police by Mrs. Waddington, who states that some time between 11 p.m. on Wednesday and 10 a.m. yesterday, someone gained admission to the drying-room of the house and stole two fur coats, a red fox neck fur, a new blanket and a quantity of underclothing. The total loss is put at \$525.

It appears that the burglar entered the drying-room by forcing a typhoon shutter and then

"TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT

Numerous Pictures To-morrow

To-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph* Pictorial Supplement will contain numerous pictures of topical interest, amongst which will be several dealing with the Christmas and New Year festivities. Events illustrated in this connection will include the K.C.C. children's sports, the Christmas party at the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, and the fancy dress dance at the Peak Club.

Sporting pictures will deal with the Rugby match between the Club and Navy, and the Fanling Races. Weddings illustrated will be those of Mr. C. Y. Tee and Miss M. C. Chow, and Mr. Francis Wongching and Miss Sylvia Tsang.

Other events pictured will include the enthronement of Bishop Hall and the funeral of the late Mr. H. Lu, while a portrait will be given of Sub-Inspector Mr. Alan Khan, who received the British Empire Medal in the New Year Honours.

Smashing a pane of glass. Both Mr. and Mrs. Waddington were at home at the time, but neither heard any noise, the drying-room being situated at the back of the house.

Subsequently, a gardener's implement and a pair of new Chinese shoes were discovered on the hillside at the back of the residence, but no trace of the stolen articles has been found.

the Presidency. When in Oct. 1928, Mr. Hoover started his campaign, Coolidge gave him no support and in bidding him a public farewell merely said: "I wish you a pleasant trip to California and a safe return." He had in fact strongly resented a proposal made some time before that Hoover should be appointed Secretary of State. At the end of his term of office, Mr. Coolidge became a director of the New York Life Insurance Co. and wrote for American magazines.

Personally he was shrewd and sensible without being brilliant. Far from elusive, he broke down the old custom of daily shaking hands with the hundreds and sometimes thousands who visit the White House in the summer. His opponents described him as a "sour Yankee—facturn, crabbed, dry, weaned on a clothes-pin."

Reuter and I.B.S.

DAY BY DAY: NEWS IN BRIEF

The local Filipino community will celebrate Rizal Day with a musical concert at the Peninsula Hotel on Sunday, 8th January, commencing at 8.45 p.m.

Messrs. Whittemore, Laidlow & Co. Ltd. announce that their store will be closed to-morrow, Saturday, when preparations will be made for the annual sale which commences on Monday, 9th January.

A meeting to discuss the possibility of forming a local Group of Toc H to be held at Jardine, Matheson and Co. Ltd.'s Board Room on the 10th instant at 5.30 p.m. His Excellency the Governor is to preside.

A report has been made to the police by Mr. A. Dransfield, time-keeper of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery, to the effect that Cheung On, aged 32, a coolie, of 9, West Street, received injuries to his right leg when he fell from a ladder. He was later taken to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment.

Constance Bennett, justifies the admiration of her many fans by her excellent interpretation of different roles in "Bought", now showing at the Queen's Theatre. The picture contains many dramatic episodes which demand emotional skill and delicate handling, and with the good support of Ben Lyon, Richard Bennett and Raymond Milland, the star actors succeed completely in holding the interest of the audience.

DECLINES SECOND TERM.

As early as Aug. 1927, he stated that he would not stand again for

FANLING GOLF

STARTING TIMES FOR SUNDAY

Old Course

9.20-9.24 not to be booked by travellers on 8.27 train.
9.23 A. E. Lissman, D. S. Edward.
9.23 F. W. Plesner, H. Hampton.
9.23 H. N. Williamson, L. B. Holmes.
9.40 A. E. Hall-Thompson, J. F. Warren.

9.45 G. H. Wilson, G. B. S. Thomson.
9.52 R. C. Webb, A. MacFarlane.
9.55 S. T. Buttlin, F. Lobel.

10.00 H. R. Sturt, H. Davenport Brown.

10.04 C. B. Robertson, E. Webster.
10.08 T. A. Pearce, H. U. Ireland.
10.12 W. A. Stewart, J. P. Sherry.

10.16 J. MacKnight, L. C. Grover.

10.20 A. D. Humphreys, C. Mycock.

10.24 A. C. I. Bowker, R. K. Valentine.

10.28 Major J. Wrey, Dr. D. J. Valentine.

10.32 Lt. H. C. Gould, J. K. McFarlan.

10.36 H. Spider, E. M. Bryden.

10.40 C. W. Reeve, H. G. Wallington.

10.44 C. W. Jeffries, W. Pittendreigh.

10.48 A. H. Penn, V. R. Gordon.

10.52 C. Blaker, W. H. S. Don.

10.56 L. Goldman, E. Grimble.

11.00 R. M. Henderson, G. W. Sewell.

11.04 G. F. Hale, F. A. Redmond.

11.08 H. H. Mundy, W. S. Hillier.

11.12 Dr. C. H. Burton, A. Ritchie.

11.16 G. R. M. Robertson, R. M. Giddy.

11.20 H. Owen Hughes, F. Syme Thomson.

11.24 G. T. May, M. N. Cochran.

11.28 R. Shrigley, A. L. Landsort.

11.32 L. A. Calcraft, A. McEachrane.

Note.—The General Committee have decided not to reserve any starting times after 11.30 a.m. Only the names of those who draw times up to 11.30 will appear in the above list.

New Course

9.28 Mrs. Perrin, Miss Munro.

9.30 Mrs. Clark, Mrs. A. E. Farrell.

9.44 Mrs. F. Syme Thomson, R. S. Truill.

9.52 A. B. Purves, E. Des Voeux.

10.00 R. A. Rodgers, C. J. Stellingwerf.

10.08 Mrs. Sherry, W. G. Robertson.

10.16 Mrs. Rodgers, Miss Graham.

10.24 Miss Wentworth, Miss Thomas.

10.32 Mrs. Webb, Mrs. A. MacFarlane.

10.40 Mrs. E. D. Matthews, Mrs. Jeffries.

COTTON & WHEAT

LATEST NEW YORK QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz have received the following quotations on the New York cotton and wheat exchange for yesterday.

Opening Range Closing Range

January ... 6.09-6.09 6.12-6.12

March ... 6.22-6.21 6.12-6.18

May ... 6.34-6.33 6.29-6.29

July ... 6.47-6.47 6.42-6.43

October ... 6.66-6.67 6.59-6.59

December ... 6.70-6.70 6.71-6.71

Spot ... — 6.25

Chicago Winnipeg

May ... 40% 46%

July ... 47% 46%

September ... 48% —

October ... — 47%

Winnipeg

January ... 46% —

March ... 47% —

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R.A. AND S. CHINA TO MEET IN THRILLING DUEL

THE WEEK'S CRICKET

WHERE T. A. PEARCE IS WEAK

THE TRIANGULAR TOURNEY ENDS

LATEST AVERAGES

(By "The Stumper")

HONOURS were even when the Triangular Tournament concluded on the Hongkong Cricket Club ground on Monday the H.K.C.C. defeating the Navy by an innings and two runs in the last match. The Army had defeated the Club and lost to the Navy, the teams therefore finishing up with a victory and a defeat each. A feature of the final match was the collapse of the Navy batting, which never appeared strong on paper or otherwise.

Besides Commdr. Shaw, there was not one reliable batsman in the Navy team, which included several men who have been turning out for the second strings in League matches. Facing a score of 179 put up by the Club on Saturday, they were dismissed for 73 in the first innings and 104 in the second. T. A. Pearce did the damage on Monday morning, sending six Navy batsmen back to the pavilion for only 13 runs. His off-breaks gave a lot of trouble and the batsmen were never comfortable against him.

G. R. M. Ricketts returned another fine performance in the second innings, taking six wickets for 37 runs. The more one saw of this bowler, the more was one impressed, and it is indeed a pity that he has left us.

I was watching the game on Saturday afternoon and must say that I was not much impressed by T. A. Pearce, the Kent amateur. He has a wide repertoire of strokes on the off, but seems to be decidedly weak on the leg. Perhaps the fast wicket has a lot to do with it.

LEAGUE AVERAGES.

1st Division.

Batting.

	O. M.	R. W.	A.V.
Lt. Munro (Army) ...	125	125	44.33
W.C. Hung (C.C.C.) ...	3	21	2
A.T. Lay (K.O.C.C.) ...	8	16	32.00
E.C. Fisher (K.O.C.C.) ...	3	62	69
Dr. Sayer (R.A.C.C.) ...	3	54	23.00
G.C. Hart (R.A.C.C.) ...	3	11	8

* denotes not out.

Bowling.

O. M.	R. W.	A.V.	
A.C. Ferreira (R.A.C.C.) ...	22.5	61	11.82
A. D. K. (R.A.C.C.) ...	40	65	10.50
R. Lee (C.C.C.) ...	20.2	65	9.17
A.R. Munro (Navy) ...	21	47	5.40
L. Marshall (Navy) ...	21	1	7.00
G. R. M. Ricketts (R.A.C.C.) ...	20	30	6.00
G.C. Hart (R.A.C.C.) ...	40	140	12.50
E.D. Reed (S.C.C.C.) ...	20	116	8.47
E.R.A. Holland (Navy) ...	20	85	6.46

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LONDON STOCK PRICES

GILT-EDGED ISSUES WEAK

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuter. Gilt-edged securities were weak yesterday. Otherwise the markets were generally quietly firmer.

	Jan. 4.	Jan. 5.
Brit.-Amer. Tob.	103 1/4	103 1/4
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1907	57 1/2	59 1/2
Japan 5% Sterling Loan 1924-5	68	69
5% Shal-Nanking Rly.	38-43	38-43
5% Tient-Pukow Rly.	20-30	25-30
5% Tient-Pukow Railway (Supl. Loan)	25-30	23-28
5% Shal-Hang- chow — Ningpo Rly.	78-83	78-83
5% Hukung Rly.	25-28	25-28
1911	5-10	5-10
5% Honan Rly.	5-10	5-10
5% Lung Tung U. Hai Rly. 1913	15-19	15-19
Chinese Eng. & Min.	25/-	25/-
Canadian Pac. Rly.	21	21 1/2
Shal. Elec. Constr.	53/-	53/-
Burman Oil	61/3	61/3
Anglo-Persian Oil	38/9	38/11
Mexican Eagle	7 1/4	7 1/4
Royal Dutch	18 3/4	19 1/4
J. & P. Coats	48/-	48/-
Daily Mail Trust	35/0	35/6
Imp. Chemical In- dustries	25/-	25/-
Imp. Tobacco	97/0	97/0
General Electric (England)	39/0	40/-
Turner & Newall	25/-	25/-
Unilever	31/0	32/3
Vickers	7/3	7/3
Dunlop Rubber	20/-	20/-
Burma Corp.	10/3	10/3
Anglo-Dutch	9/3	9/3
Shell Trans. & Trad.	50/-	50/-
Courttaulds	32/-	32/-
Everready	27/0	27/0
Pinchin Johnson	29/-	28/6
Pekin Syndicate	1/0	1/0

NEW MAMAK SECRETARY

(Continued from Page 8.)

A prominent newcomer to the Club 1st XI was H. W. Lee, the late Pembroke College goal-keeper, who has replaced G. Duncan between the sticks. He came to the Colony with a reputation as a defender and on the few appearances he has made, has proved himself one of the best, if not the best, goal-keeper playing in local hockey.

OTHER new members who have played with the first are A. T. Lay, on the left wing, A. E. P. Guest, the St. Andrew's centre-forward, and W. E. Williams. Lay played sparkling hockey in the opening games but late has failed to impress. He is inclined to be slow at seizing opportunities and through faulty stick work has not given his inside men the support he should. W. E. Williams is a former Welsh International, and until recently was very selfish when in possession. This fault has rectified to the betterment of the Club attack. Guest has only taken his place with the 1st XI on three occasions and although he has scored twice, appears to find the pace too fast for him. He has not yet reached the standard of hockey played by the Club.

H. Owen Hughes has just returned from home leave and will probably be seen in action on Wednesday next when the Club will be opposed to the Navy. This game should be of especial interest in view of the fact that the two teams will probably be the same as will represent the Club and Navy in the Slim Shield competition which commences in February.

SOME keenly contested matches should be seen during the weekend in the Mamak tournament. On Saturday the Police will be opposed to the University and the chances of victory are about even. On Sunday the Incognitos twice take the field their opponents being the Royal Signals on the Marina ground in the morning, and the Medway at Causeway Bay during the afternoon. The Incognitos have not yet conceded a point in the league and I shall be very much surprised if they have a reverse during the week-end. The Signals may hold them to a draw but they should gain a winning two clear goals against the Medway, unless the Sailors spring another surprise as is often their wont.

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NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

YESTERDAY'S MARKET IRREGULAR

According to Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, the New York market was irregular yesterday. The Wall Street Journal reported: "The market closed fairly during the day but closed irregularly lower owing to Coolidge's death and his connexion as Chairman of the National Transportation Committee for Investigating Railroads which is due to issue a report shortly. Brokers' loans are unchanged."

Dow-Jones averages:

	Jan. 4.	Jan. 5.
30 Industrials	62.35	62.26
20 Railroads	26.90	26.05
20 Utilities	28.40	28.27
40 Bonds	78.85	79.11

Average of 100 stocks: 103 1/4

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**SHANHAIKWAN IN
RUINS**

**REFUGEES' TALES
OF SLAUGHTER**

Peking, Jan. 5.
About a thousand refugees from Shanhaikwan have already arrived here, while it is reported that many hundreds of thousands have flowed in to Chinwangtao. All the refugees tell terrible tales of the hell which broke loose during the Japanese bombardment. It is estimated that at least three thousand civilians were killed at Shanhaikwan.

Scores of houses are now nothing but brick heaps or smouldering ruins, with dead lying heaped in the streets.

So far there is no official estimate of the military casualties.—Reuter.

Chinese Fears.

Peking, Jan. 5.
Chinese circles consider the continued dispatch of Japanese troops from outside the Great Wall to Shanhaikwan regions an indication of an early Japanese bombardment of Chinwangtao.

Chinwangtao is defended by only one Chinese regiment under commander Liu who has expressed determination to offer resistance.

General Ho Chu-kuo has telegraphed to Marshal Chang Hauch-ling that his troops are fortifying positions between Chinwangtao and Chang Li, which is situated south of Chinwangtao.

Railway communication between Peking and Chinwangtao resumed since yesterday afternoon.

Praise for Ho Chu-kuo.

Peking, Jan. 5.
Full praise for General Ho Chu-kuo, Cantonese Commander of the Fengtien Force which for many months resolutely held a dangerous position at Shanhaikwan and which fought magnificently this year against overwhelming forces and equipment, has been given and is voiced unanimously by the press and the public in North China.

It is pointed out that General Ho, who acting on his own initiative, several times, saved dangerous situations and avoided unpleasant developments with the Japanese at Shanhaikwan, recently tendered his resignation to General Chang Hauch-ling, owing to it is generally regarded as unjust criticism against him at the recent Third Plenary Session of the C. E. C. at Nanking. He did not hesitate, however, to jump in the breach when the Japanese launched the attack on Shanhaikwan on January 1 and rushed back from Peiping by special train to his post to resume command of the forces which were making a desperate and heroic effort to defend the walled city. The gallant action deserves a record with the pages of Cantonese military heroism written during the Shanghai War.

General Ho is at present at Chinwangtao handling the new situation which has arisen as a result of the fall of Shanhaikwan into the hands of the Japanese military forces.—Reuter.

China's Protest

Nanking, Jan. 5.
The Chinese Government late last night sent to the Japanese Minister, Mr. Ariyoshi, a strong

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To H in Hongkong

To the Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.

Sir,—Since our arrival in Hongkong, Mr. Chappell and I have encountered much curiosity, both concerning the present-day workings of the To H movement and concerning the possibility of establishing a definite group in this Colony.

May I ask for the hospitality of your columns for the purpose of informing all concerned that an attempt will be made to satisfy public curiosity at a meeting to be held in Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Company's Board Room, at 5.30 p.m. next Tuesday, January 10. His Excellency the Governor has kindly agreed to preside. The meeting will be for men only.

F. E. Ford.

protest against the Japanese occupation of Shanhaikwan.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has sent another telegram to the Chinese delegation at Geneva, instructing them to report the Shanhaikwan incident to the League Council, as well as the fact that Japan was solely responsible for the affair.

The Foreign Office has also drafted a declaration addressed to the Powers, which is expected to be issued to-morrow. It is understood that this statement emphasizes that the part played by the Chinese troops was one of self-defence, and that responsibility for the incident should rest with Japan.—Reuter.

Demands in Protest.

Nanking, Jan. 5.
Demanding the withdrawal of Japanese troops from Shanhaikwan and the prevention of similar occurrences in the future, punishment of the Japanese officers and men starting the disturbance and finally, reserving the right to claim reparation for damages.

These are the main features of the Chinese protest despatched late last night to Mr. Ariyoshi, Japanese Minister.

Meanwhile, the Chinese Government issued this afternoon a lengthy statement showing that the Japanese operations at Shanhaikwan had been premeditated and carried out in a most methodical manner.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT STATEMENT.

Nanking Allegations Against Japan's Designs.

Nanking, Jan. 5.
After reviewing the events of the Shanhaikwan hostilities, a Chinese Government statement issued this afternoon declares the Japanese allegations concerning the events before the Japanese attack are "old tricks, habitually resorted to by the Japanese military and familiar to the whole world."

The statement further charges the Japanese military with purposely selecting the new year, when the League was in adjournment, to carry out their premeditated plan. The League, in successive sessions, adopted resolutions against any further aggravation of the situation, and such resolutions were agreed to by the Japanese Government.

Despite these resolutions and their own undertakings, the Japanese are constantly extending their sphere of military aggression in China, the statement declares. They have now taken possession by a surprise attack of a most strategic point south of the Great Wall, bordering Manchuria, from whence they are in a position to descend upon Tient-

"WEEK-END MURDER"

(Continued from Page 3).
date with Fleur Stoner early this afternoon—"

"You might know she'd have her hooks in him!"

"And he'd thought he might simply check his bag at the station and go up to town later. He'd noticed the inn across the road there and had meant to stop there for lunch without bothering us."

"Thoughtful! And Mr. Shaughnessy we know about—so that's it! And now we must think of each one separately. Tom—what he's said and done, ever since he arrived. We'll start—"

"We'll start with Pratt," said Tom grimly. "After all, he was there and that seems fairly important."

"It is indeed," agreed Linda. "Don't think I entirely bar him out. But remember, too, his room is nearest Cousin Amos' and it's perfectly possible he heard me fall. And anyone who really had tried to strangle me wouldn't have waited while you swam in, ran across the lawn and came upstairs."

"He might stay from bravado,

just because no one would think he would. Anyhow, we have that on him definitely and we have nothing on any other."

"Oh, yes, we have. On one other man."

(To be continued.)

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The ground and first floors of No. 2, Canton Road was badly damaged by a fire which broke out at 10.45 o'clock last night. The prompt appearance of the Kowloon Fire Brigade prevented the blaze from spreading to the adjoining four-story buildings.

The flames had taken a firm hold before the alarm was raised but a strong pressure of water was quickly available.

The first floor was occupied by Yau Sang, a pawnbroker. The second floor was used as a residence.

Insurance details were not available last night.

sin, Peiping and Jehol at any moment they like—an eventuality fraught with even more grave consequences."

The Chinese Government therefore is of the opinion that the League should lose no time in taking very effective measures to check the Japanese aggression. Meanwhile, Chinese forces will continue to resist to the best of their ability, further aggression by Japanese troops.—Reuter.

Chang Hauch-ling's Desire for Peace

Nanking, Jan. 5.
The Chinese newspapers, in their first publications after the New Year, indignantly denounce the Japanese occupation of Shanhaikwan and urge resistance against further aggression. The independent organ *Hsin Chin Jih Pao* says that two facts emerge.

"Firstly the Japanese aggression in China will continue until this country submits unconditionally to Japan's terms for the settlement of the Manchurian and other outstanding issues."

"Secondly, Marshal Chang Hauch-ling has no desire to fight."—Reuter.

Acting Under Orders.

Peking, Jan. 5.
The official attitude here appears to be that the Marshal is acting under Nanking orders and in the present instance will act

as instructed from there.—Reuter's Special.

Wang Ching-wei May Return

Nanking, Jan. 5.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei has wired his friends here from Germany expressing the strongest indignation at the Japanese occupation of Shanhaikwan, saying that he might expedite his return to China, although he is far from recovered from his illness.—Reuter.

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Tango Maru Wed., 11th Jan.
Hokkaido Maru Sun., 15th Jan.
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Rakuyu Maru (calls Shanghai) Tues., 10th Jan.
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Durban Maru (calls Aden) Sat., 14th Jan.
Calcutta via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.
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If you thought "Caught Plastered" and "The Cuckoo" were good vehicles for the comedy favourites, Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey, (and of course Dorothy Lee), you should see "Peach O'Reno" which is showing at the Central to-morrow. In "Peach O'Reno" the comedians, and the producer, RKO-Radio Pictures, have done a difficult thing. They have topped a long succession of comedy "Peach O'Reno" by a wide margin. The forcing three bid is the origin of that great player, Mr. Sims, winner of more national championships than any other man in the world.

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Spades—A
Hearts—K-Q-J-10-x-x
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Clubs—None

Your proper opening bid is three hearts. Supposing partner were to respond with four clubs—this would show the ace of clubs. At the same time he would deny holding either the ace of diamonds or the ace of hearts, because he would have showed it first—and the same if he held the ace of diamonds, as both would outrank the ace of clubs.

Knowing that partner holds neither the ace of hearts nor the ace of diamonds, you would immediately surrender any slam hopes that you had and would sign off the hands with a bid of four hearts; while if partner responded by showing the ace of diamonds by a bid of four diamonds, you would know that there was a positive small slam, and that the grand slam was impossible due to the fact that he had denied the ace of hearts.

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"Bought" at the Queen's. Though Constance Bennett, star of Warner Bros., "Bought," to be seen now at the Queen's Theatre, is noted for the ease and sophistication of her screen portrayals, she has a dread of the stage. She says she has the vaguely uncomfortable feeling of seeing herself as others see her, even when looking at one of her finished pictures. Strangely enough, the daughter of Richard Bennett, noted for his ability to appear in public, not only on the stage, but on any occasion where impromptu speech-making is in order, is extremely diffident about personal appearances. Her mother was dubious that none of her three daughters, Barbara, Joan or Constance, should have anything to do with the theatrical world. Constance was educated with a social career. Abandoning a life of ease for the strenuous life of the talkies, she has led her father and sister into the screen world. Richard Bennett supports his daughter Constance for the first time in "Bought." Others featured in support of Constance Bennett are: Ben Lyon, Dorothy Peterson, Raymond Milland, Arthur Stuart Hull, Edward Nugent, May Madison, Maude Eburne, Clara Blandick and Doris Lyed. Archie Mayo directed. "Madame Racketeer"

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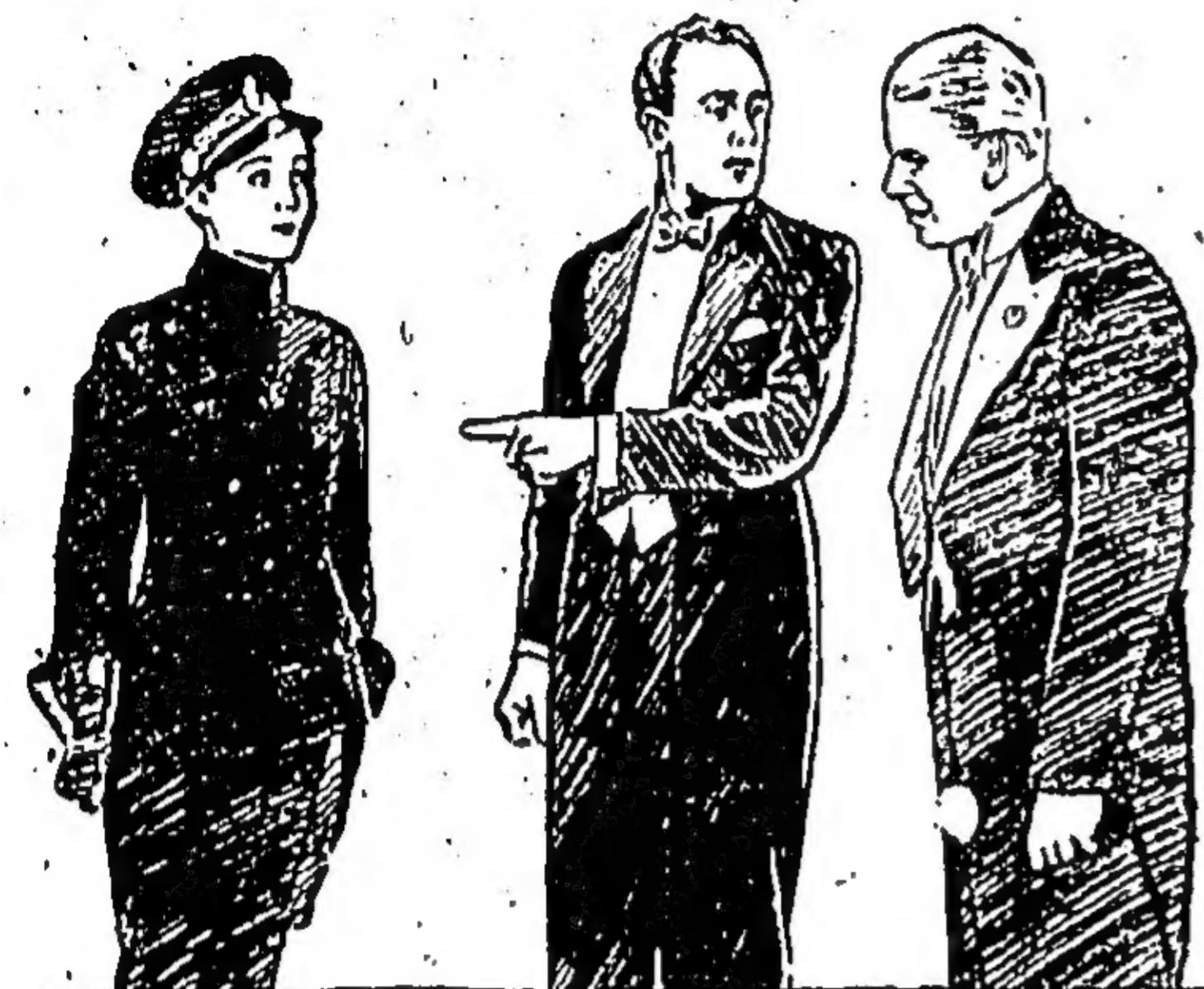
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Traffic Inspector Alexander said Cmdr. Hole was driving his car in a westerly direction along Connaught Road Central, and as he approached Blake Pier, the defendant, driving a private car No. 711, suddenly came out of the private parking stand and collided with him, without any warning whatever.

The police, said Inspector Alexander, had made inquiries and found that the defendant at that time was only a learner-driver and had no proper driver's licence, although he had since passed a police test and been awarded one. At the time, Cmdr. Hole was travelling at 12 miles an hour.

Cmdr. Hole informed the Bench that the damage done to his car was very slight, but it might have been very serious. He was given no chance, and had to swerve and quickly jam his brakes, being then caught between the defendant's car and the pavement against which he was halted at an angle of 30 degrees. It was not the damage that he was annoyed about, said Cmdr. Hole, but the serious consequences that might have ensued had his car gone on to the pavement amongst pedestrians.

His Worship fined defendant a total of \$40 on the two summonses, and also allowed compensation against defendant for the damage to Cmdr. Hole's car, to the extent of a further \$10.

During Wednesday, two cases of small-pox, one of typhoid, one of meningitis, and one of puerperal fever, were reported to the local health authorities.

The liner arrived in Hongkong early this morning, and will sail for Manila at 8 a.m. to-morrow. Passengers for Hongkong included Messrs. S. Cowley, S. Hooper, E. Rosario and Mrs. Hooper.

PRESIDENT LINER IN COLLISION

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As the Dollar liner President Van Buren was steaming down the Whangpoo River, bound from Shanghai to Hongkong, a collision occurred with the China Merchant Steam Navigation Company's river boat Kiang Wah.

Both vessels were proceeding down the river at slow speed, when, almost opposite the Customs House, it was seen that a collision was inevitable. Both ships immediately reversed, and the President Van Buren had almost stopped when the Kiang Wah was struck.

Considerable damage, however, was done to the Shanghai vessel, a large gaping hole, fortunately above the waterline, extending up the bows of the ship.

Passengers ALARMED.

Considerable alarm was occasioned among the large crowd of deck passengers aboard the Kiang Wah, but no casualties occurred, and the vessel was able to proceed to her berth.

Prompt action and skilful navigation on the part of the Van Buren prevented the accident assuming more serious proportions. The American liner suffered comparatively little damage. The stem-plate was buckled somewhat below the waterline, and one or two of the fore-plates were strained. The President Van Buren proceeded down to Woosung, where the port anchor was dropped while an examination was made of the damage.

Here bad luck still dogged the liner, for as the anchor was being raised preparatory to resuming the voyage to Hongkong, it carried away, together with some of the chain, and was lost.

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MR. HORACE LO TO WED

MISS GRACE HO TUNG AS BRIDE

It is announced that the wedding will take place, probably at the end of January, between Miss Grace Ho Tung, seventh daughter of Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Mr. Lo Man-ho, more popularly known as Mr. Horace Lo, a member of the firm of solicitors, Messrs. Lo and Lo, and youngest son of Mr. Lo Cheung-shul, of 20, Conduit Road. The marriage will unite two of the best-known families in the Colony.

Mr. Lo is a brother to Messrs. M. K. and M. W. Lo, former tennis champions of the Colony, and himself, no mean exponent of the game regularly competes in the open tennis championship. As is known, Mrs. M. K. Lo is a daughter of Sir Robert Ho Tung.

COURT FULL OF PLAINTIFFS

NEARLY FORTY PUT IN APPEARANCE

Thirty-nine plaintiffs out of a total of 46 interested appeared during the hearing of a case at the Supreme Court this morning in which they claimed \$822,002 in respect of wages due to them as labourers from the Asiatic Kaliting Co., and the managing partner, Ng Wa-chee, of 41, 42 and 43, Causeway Bay Road.

They were represented by Mr. Lee D'Almada, and after hearing evidence, the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood) gave judgment for the plaintiffs, the female claimants to receive the amounts claimed individually and the male labourers to receive wages for one month and 14 days only, the claim in respect of a month's wages in lieu of notice being disallowed.

Engr. Cmdr. R. G. Jefferson, R.N., will arrive in Hongkong by the E. & O. liner Naldera on January 12. Engr. Cmdr. Jefferson has been appointed to H.M.S. Keppe.

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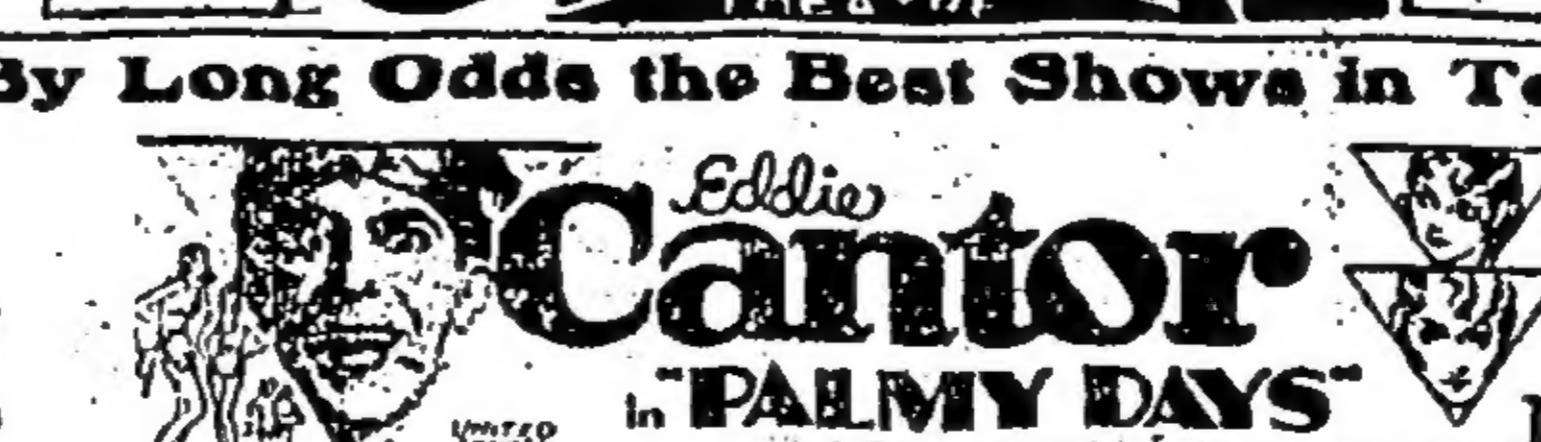
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